

Mr Nixon defies subpoena for 64 records wanted by Watergate prosecutor

As Washington settled down to read the Nixon bestseller, 1,308 pages of edited excerpts from the White House tapes, the President headed for another confrontation with the Watergate special prosecutor by refusing to hand over records of 64 conversations. Backed by federal court subpoena, Mr Leon Jaworski, the prosecutor,

Offer of edited tapes upsets House

From Fleet Emery
Washington, May 1
Another confrontation over President Nixon's Watergate tapes is imminent, and may be more serious than the first. The President's lawyers today applied to the federal district court here for nullification of a subpoena for all records of 64 conversations served on Mr. Nixon by the special prosecutor. Mr. Nixon's lawyers said that the President's counsel might be necessary for the case to reach a court that had not yet ruled on the issue. Mr. James St. Clair, presidential counsel, explained that this can only be the Supreme Court.

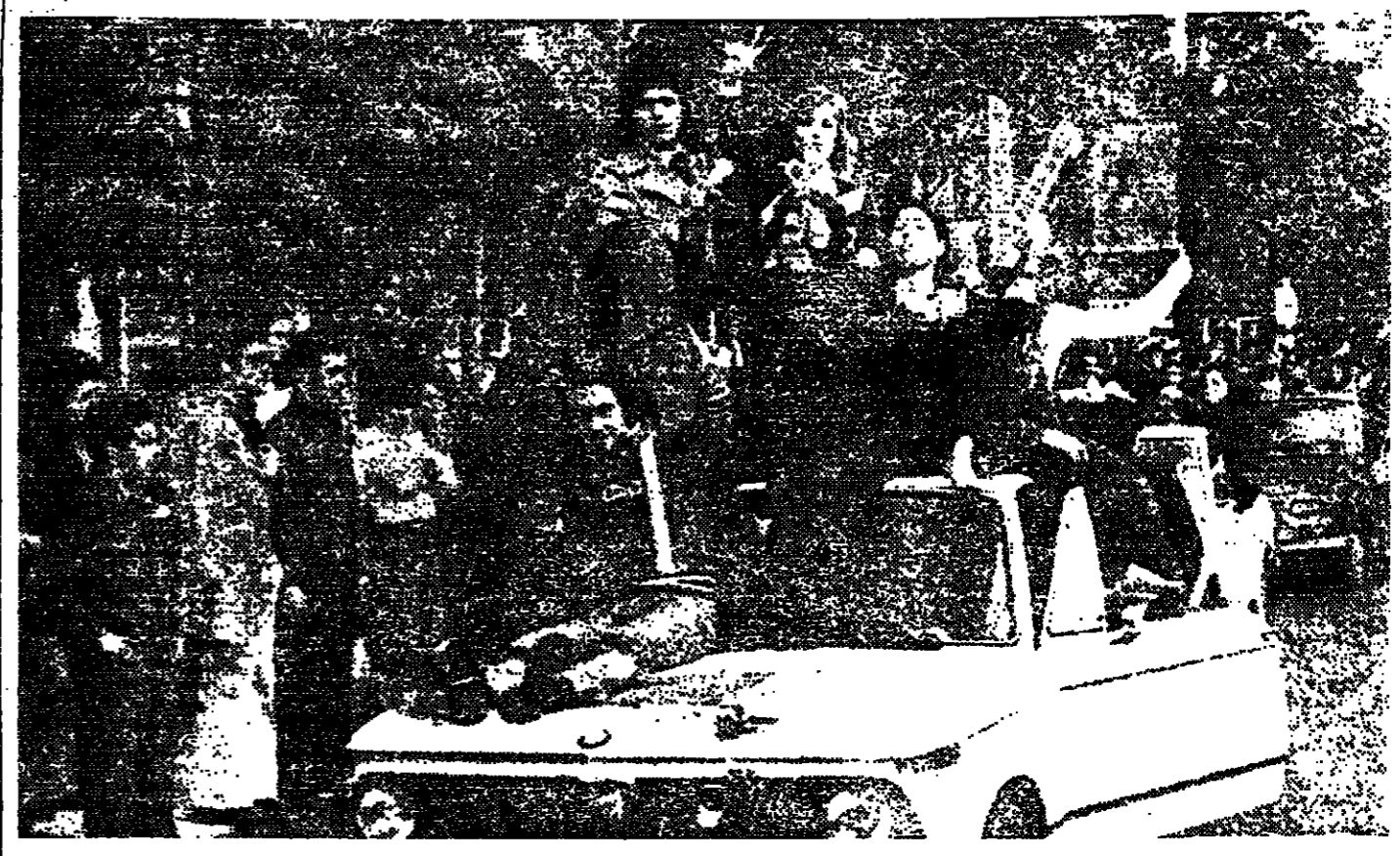
wants material covering the 12 months ended to June 1973 which he considered vital for a fair trial of the Watergate defendants. The transcripts so far delivered prove many of the allegations made by Mr John Dean, former White House counsel, against the President.

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The V for Victory sign was seen everywhere among the huge May Day crowd in Lisbon yesterday.

Lisbon has a May Day to remember

From Harry Debelius
Lisbon, May 1
Portugal has never seen a day like today, at least not for about 50 years. Hundreds of thousands of people took to the streets of Lisbon to celebrate their first legal May Day holiday and the promise of a return to democracy.

Cabinet to discuss MPs' interests today after Short allegations

By Michael Hatfield
Political Staff
Cabinet ministers, seriously embarrassed by the allegations involving Mr Edward Short, leader of the House and deputy leader of the Labour Party, will discuss a register of MPs' interests today.

Restrictions on petrol to garages being lifted

By Our Business News Staff
The end of restrictions on deliveries of petrol to garages and filling stations will be announced today. The Government has decided to end the 10 per cent cutback in supplies.

Purged transcripts a bestseller

From Patrick Sweeney
Washington, May 1
The submission of recorded presidential conversations published yesterday has become the instant bestseller. The Government Printing Office was besieged today by people clutching their \$12.50 copies of the blue volume. It is 1,308 pages long and must be one of the most extraordinary documents any government has ever published.

Brussels officials search for some way to help Italy overcome trade crisis

From Robert Berthoud
Brussels, May 1
A group of officials of the European Commission was held yesterday by the Italian Government to discuss ways to help Italy overcome its trade crisis.

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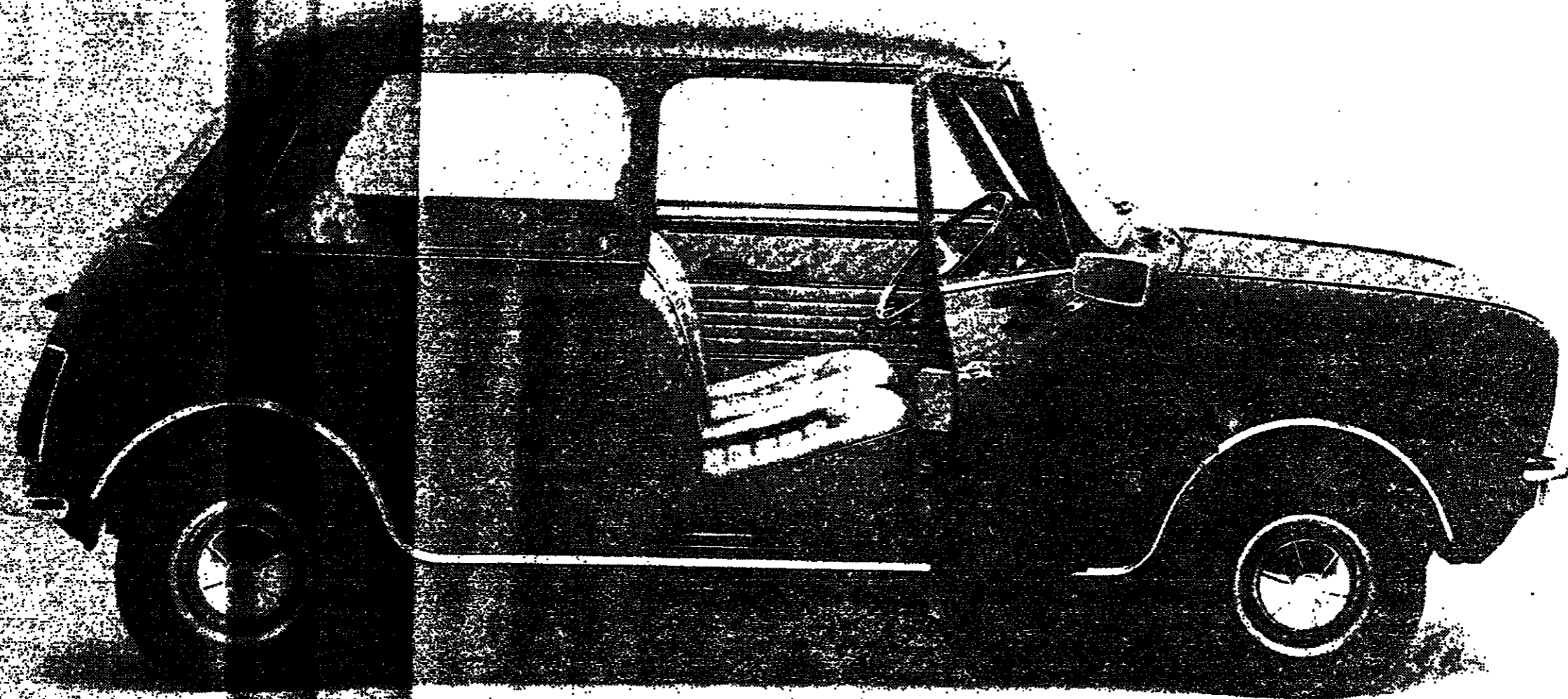
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HOME NEWS



Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon, who begin a 12-day visit to the United States and Canada today, with their children, Lord Linley and Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones.

Boy vandal 'reformed' after social education

A young vandal stopped smashing telephone kiosks after taking part in an experimental social education programme, a Schools Council report says today. He attended one of four Nottingham secondary schools that participated.

Concern at turnover of teachers

Nearly one teacher in three left his or her school in London in the academic year 1972-73, according to a report by the Department of Education and Science published today. The turnover rate was half more than the average elsewhere.

GMC attitude to errant doctors 'has altered'

By John Roper Medical Reporter The attitude of the disciplinary committee of the General Medical Council to doctors who come before it has altered, Mr Peter Baylis, a senior partner in a firm of solicitors which advises the Medical Defence Union, said in London yesterday.

'Brutal injuries' to baby alleged

Vivian Taylor, aged 19, who is alleged to have systematically battered his baby son, said at St Albans Crown Court, Hertfordshire, yesterday, that he tried to save the boy with the kiss of life.

Crime and drug offences up in West Country

Drug offences and violent crime are increasing in the West Country according to the annual report of Devon and Cornwall Constabulary, published yesterday. Drug offences were 16 per cent up on last year.

Scottish Tories appoint new vice-chairmen

From a Staff Reporter Edinburgh The Scottish Conservative Party yesterday announced the appointment as vice-chairmen of Mr Edward Taylor, MP for Glasgow, Cathcart, and Mr William Dalziel. This follows the announcement that the party conference in Ayr later this month will debate a call for a general review of organization in Scotland.

University to study why doctors choose careers

From Ronald Kershaw Leeds A study supported by the Social Science Research Council is to be made at Leeds University into influences affecting doctors' choice of careers; why, for example, some newly qualified doctors become general practitioners and others opt for neurology or brain surgery.

Breeding sites of rare warbler destroyed by fire

Heathland fires in Dorset have destroyed the breeding sites of more than a tenth of the British population of the rare Dartford warbler, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds said yesterday. As few as 400 breeding pairs had been recorded in the whole of Britain.

Threats end plan for debate on freedom

By Our Education Correspondent An invitation to a National Front representative to speak on freedom of speech at Newcastle University has been called left-wing threats to disrupt the meeting. It is the first time a National Front candidate has been banned from speaking on a campus since the National Union of Students decided last month to disrupt meetings addressed by "fascists" or "racists".

In brief

Janie Jones to appeal

Janie Jones, aged 37, of Campden Hill Road, Kensington, jailed for seven years at the Central Criminal Court last month, has asked for a writ of habeas corpus to be granted by the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, said yesterday.

She was sentenced for controlling prostitutes and attempting to pervert the course of justice. She had been found guilty after a three-month trial. She was cleared of blackmail after a further trial.

Accident pay sought

Full wages should be paid to workers away from their jobs because of accidents, the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers said yesterday. The union's policy-making national committee at Worthing instructed its members to press a claim that would ensure employees were not financially hit by incapacity through industrial injury.

Forged cup tickets

Wembley Stadium officials said yesterday that a number of forged tickets for Saturday's FA Cup final between Liverpool and Newcastle United had been discovered in Newcastle.

Dispute affects schools

More than 3,500 West Midlands children missed lessons yesterday because schools were in dispute over shift payments at Kingsbury, Warwickshire, oil terminal.

Bail report today

The long-awaited report on the bail system, prepared by a Home Office working party, is to be published today. It is expected to make far-reaching proposals which would criminalize more people and reduce the number of those released on bail instead of remanded in custody.

Doctor's appeal dismissed

An appeal by Dr James Vignoles, aged 51, formerly practising at Church Road, Willesden, London, to end his suspension and resume his practice, was dismissed by the Privy Council Judicial Committee yesterday. Reasons will be given later.

Some advertisements for police 'near fraudulent'

Inspector Donald MacLean, chairman of the Scottish Police Federation, said yesterday that some advertising agencies in police recruiting advertisements "border on the fraudulent". He told the federation's annual conference in Peebles that many young married constables took home only £18 a week.

Tighter controls urged for gambling

By a Staff Reporter Gambling needs a stronger controlling machinery to meet new situations such as the rising power of conglomerate companies with diversified gaming interests, according to the 1973 report of the Gaming Board, published yesterday.

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WEST EUROPE

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From Richard Wigg Paris May 1 M Robert Galley, France's Minister of the Armed Forces, said today it was becoming more and more a political issue to believe that a Socialist and Communist government, if elected, could realize its programme of reforms in order and liberty.

M Galley told a press conference that M Krivine, Communist member of the Left, under M Francois Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, instead of one of other of the two candidates of the present governing majority, the services would "obviously not oppose any such political transformation".

Candidates who seek TV time rather than office

From Edward Mortimer Paris May 1 There are two sorts of candidates in the French presidential election: those who are hoping to win and those who seek only to publicize their views, or without the hope of influencing the next government.

Rome's attitude to divorce attacked

From Our Own Correspondent Rome, May 1 Dom Giovanni Franzoni, the former Abbot of St Paul's, now suspended from priestly duties, has compared the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church on divorce in Italy today with that in the time of Henry VIII.

Brandt party slumps in polls after spy scandal

From Don van der Vat Bonn, May 1 After a week of rumour and counter-rumour the case of the spy in the Chancellor's office has caused a sharp decline in the popularity of the Christian Democratic Union.

The SPD was badly shaken by serious losses in local elections in four states in March. On Sunday, voters go to the polls in the Saar to elect municipal councils, but the main test will come on May 9 when Lower Saxony elects a new state parliament.

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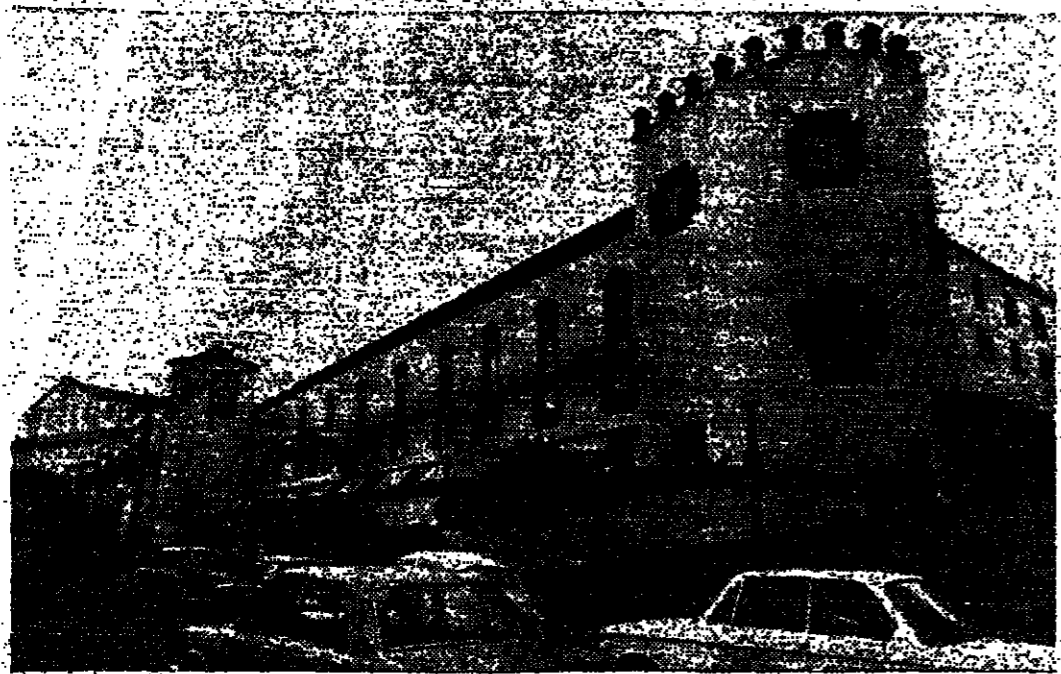
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PORTUGAL



The sixteenth century fortress in Funchal, Madeira, where Rear-Admiral Americo Tomaz and Dr Marcello Caetano, the deposed President and Prime Minister of Portugal, are detained.

Portugal to reopen Delgado case

From Jose Sherriff Lisbon, May 1. The investigation into the unexplained murder of General Humberto Delgado, the opposition leader, is likely to be reopened again, according to informed sources. The general, a presidential candidate in 1958, was elected to office in 1961, but was forced to go into exile. He was linked with the setting of the liner Santa Maria, and was reported to have directed the abortive rising on New Year's Eve, 1961, when an assault was made on the barracks. In 1966 he was found mur-

OVERSEAS

Muscovites celebrate May Day without Red Square speeches

From Edmund Stevens Moscow, May 1. Red Square today was the scene of the most peace-minded May Day demonstration in the 56 years since the first observance in 1918. World peace and détente and economic progress dominated the myriad posters, transparencies, streamers and floats. Enlarged photographs of Mr Leonid Brezhnev, the party leader, on his recent travels were prominently displayed with quotations from his utterances such as "Our task is to make international détente firm and irreversible". There were other pictures of President Podgorny and Mr Kosygin, the Prime Minister, delivering speeches, both captioned "We approve of peace visits". I noted only one poster denouncing imperialism, another the slanders of the Soviet Union, and one decrying the terror in Chile. But there was nothing that could have prompted a walkout by any of the diplomats present, including the Chinese. For the first time in the history of the occasion nobody made a speech. Instead they played a tape recording of May Day greetings to the Soviet people from the Party Central Committee, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet and Council of Ministers, the text of which was on the front-page in all today's newspapers. Before 1969 the military parade which started things off gave a martial tone to the proceedings. As of 1969 the parade was discontinued and observances began with a huge mass meeting. In 1970 and 1971 Mr Brezhnev addressed the meeting; in 1972 President Podgorny spoke, and last year Mr Brezhnev again. This time not only the words but all the sound effects were recordings including the stirring strains of the "Internationale" which replaced the usual Soviet anthem, thereby further emphasizing the international nature of the occasion. Colourful columns of athletes of both sexes led the demonstration, which began on the stroke of 10 am. Several groups of children crossed the lines of the security guards and ascended to the tribune on the Lenin mausoleum with flowers for the leaders. By noon it was all over, making it the shortest on record. Approximately half a million citizens took part, the attendance being voluntary. Peking, May 1.—More than a dozen members of China's Politburo today mingled with crowds during colourful celebrations of May Day here, but once again Chairman Mao Tse-tung, chose to stay away. Mr Chou En-lai, the Prime Minister, headed the long list of leaders who went to the parks in and around Peking where the celebrations were held.—Reuter.

Britain's diminishing reliance on Cape route ignored Simonstown base to be expanded

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent A big expansion programme has been announced for the South African naval base at Simonstown. It will be the first extensive alteration since the base was built in the early years of this century. Large areas of the sea are to be reclaimed and the berthing facilities for ships will be almost doubled. Tenders for the various projects were being put out yesterday. Mr Pieter Botha, the Defence Minister, explaining the programme, said that the volume of shipping had become too large for the existing facilities. Details of the cost and timescale of the expansion will be disclosed later. Simonstown, a former British naval base, already has the best and biggest dry-dock and dockyard between Europe and Singapore. South Africa, alarmed by what it sees as a threat to its sea flanks from the growth of Soviet naval interest in the Indian Ocean, has been steadily improving its port facilities for some time. In recent years a submarine base has been built to accommodate three French-built Daphne class boats, maritime headquarters has been opened at the Cape, and a reconstructed naval base at Durban was established three years ago. Ships of the Royal Navy still make use of the Simonstown base under the terms of the Simonstown Agreement, though not as extensively as at one time—partly for political reasons and partly because there are fewer British warships now sailing round the Cape. But Royal Navy vessels sailing to Singapore and Hongkong still take on mail, fuel and other supplies at Simonstown, and usually fit in an exercise with the South African Navy before resuming their voyage. How long even this limited use will continue is open to speculation. The Labour Government has made it clear that it will not see any sense in South Africa and a new reviewing Britain's whole foreign policy towards Sir Vorster's Government. There are also practical reasons why Britain's reliance on Simonstown is likely to diminish. The Royal Navy's deployment in the Far East will probably decline as a result of the defence review now being conducted in London. Of those ships which will still be sailing into the Indian Ocean, at least some are expected to use the Suez Canal—assuming that this is reopened next year. South Africa's other main naval bases are at East London, Durban, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth and Walvis Bay.

554 political prisoners freed in Mozambique

From Michael Knipe Lourenco Marques, May 1. The black political prisoners of Machava jail, the notorious prison on the outskirts of this city, were released today. It was the most striking sign yet that reforms ordered by the military junta in Lisbon were being carried out speedily here. The 554 prisoners were all Africans detained for collaborating non-violently with Fretilim, and the moment of freedom was perhaps the most poignant here since General Spínola's junta seized power six days ago. Some had been in jail for 11 years and some were apparently awaiting sentencing, many of them listening to "Voice of Fretilim" broadcasts. Hundreds of Africans and a score of sympathetic whites gathered at the prison gates opposite a caneshack settlement to greet the freed prisoners. The African women shouted joyfully and drummed on suitcases as the prisoners poured out of the gates clumping baskets holding their possessions. One soldier welcomed his father-in-law, and as husbands and wives clung to each other laughing and crying, some of the prisoners told calmly of beatings and tortures that they or others had suffered. The freeing of the prisoners was supervised by Colonel Antonio Roberto, a cavalry officer who was placed in control of the hated security police (G3) 48 hours earlier. He ordered units of military and civil police just outside the prison to move farther away. This is no time for tears, he said. "I want the Jews pushed back." Then he swept into the prison with foreign correspondents who had been waiting since dawn. The prisoners were assembled in a semicircle in the dusty yard of the prison complex which resembles Hollywood's impression of a French Foreign Legion barracks. They listened intently as the colonel addressed them. "I am sure you are going to be good citizens," he said. "Do not forget what the Army has done for you. I hope now you will go and see your families and friends and give them a feeling of unity and respect for everyone." The Army of today, he said, was working for an integrated and just society. Young soldiers and officers who had been in

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General Spínola meets four leading bankers

From Our Correspondent Lisbon, May 1. Senator Antonio Champalimaud, banker and founder of Portugal's steel industry, in which Britain has interests, visited General Spínola at the weekend. Senhores Manuel de Melo, Dr Miguel Quina and Senhor Manuel Espirito Santo, three other leading bankers, also saw the general. Senhor Champalimaud said after his visit that the "excess of prudence had drastically limited the activity of those who had initiated it. He said that any delay in simplifying the economic situation, even before restructuring it, would lead to the loss of valuable opportunities in the United States and Africa".

Angola leader seeks ban on arms sales

By a Staff Reporter Unless Portugal grants complete and immediate independence to Angola, the armed struggle for liberation would continue, Dr Agostinho Neto, president of the People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola, said in London yesterday. He rejected any idea of a federation with Portugal or of a gradual movement towards self-determination as suggested by General de Spínola. In talks with Miss Joan Lester, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, he asked that Britain cease her armaments to Portugal. Material assistance given to Portugal is assistance against African people, he said.

Kaunda independence call

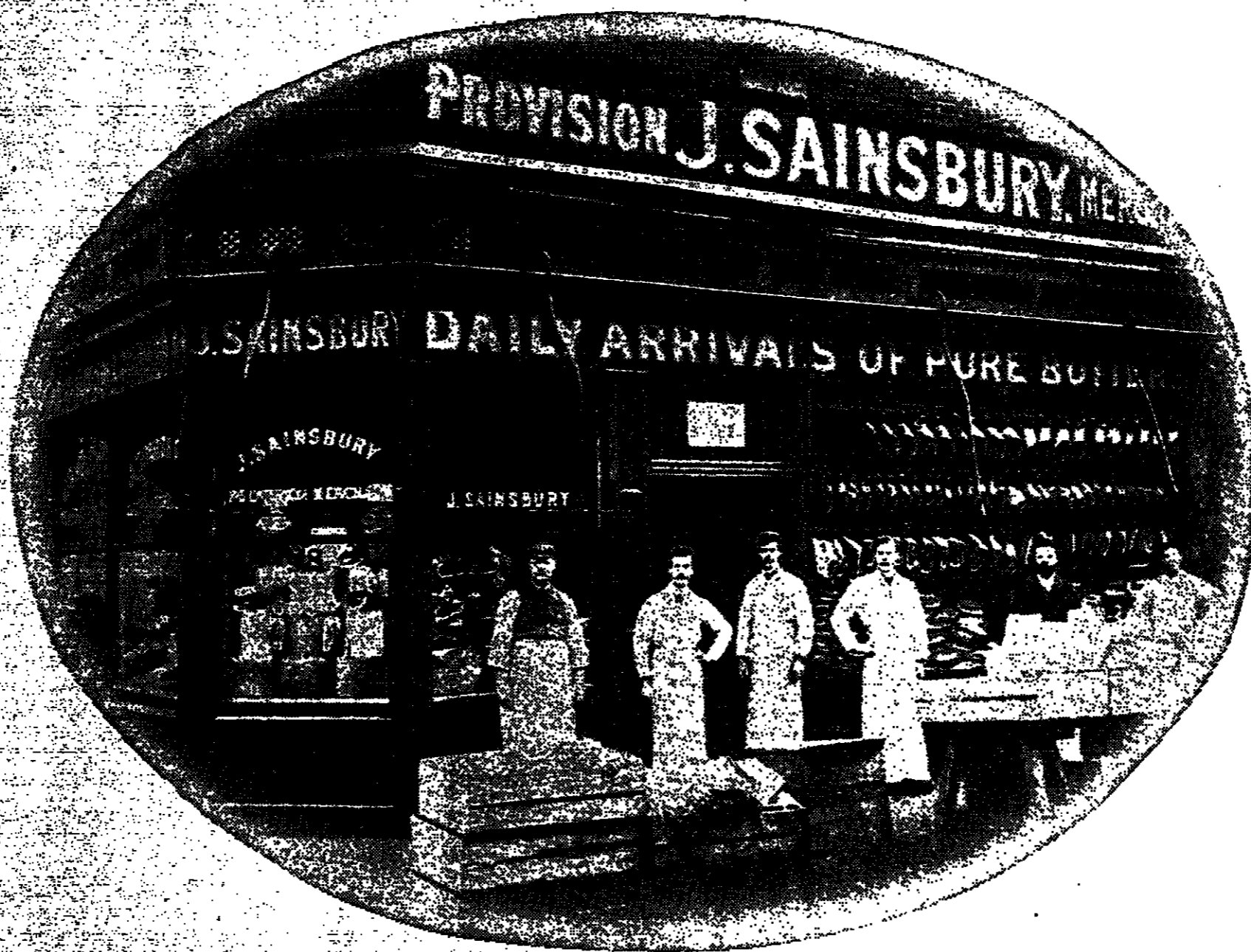
Lusaka, May 1.—President Kaunda of Zambia today called on the new regime in Lisbon to grant independence to Angola and Mozambique. Dr Kaunda, making Zambia's first official statement on last week's Army coup in Portugal, affirmed his support for liberation movements in Portugal and Africa's territories. He said that for more than a decade the Front for the Liberation of Mozambique (Frelimo) had dedicated itself to the cause of peace and development for all, based on justice. "No matter what Frelimo's enemies may say, victory will be in the hands of those who are fighting for freedom and justice. We support Frelimo because its cause is right and just. We also know that the fears of the Portuguese Government on this issue of independence for Mozambique are without foundation.—Reuter.

Seven blacks arrested in Zebra Murders' case

San Francisco, May 1.—Police believe they have broken up a fanatical black separatist group, calling themselves "Death Angels", with the arrest today of seven young black men for their alleged connection with a series of murders in San Francisco. For five months the city has been terrorized by apparently motiveless killings, known as the "Zebra Murders", in which 12 white people have been shot dead in the streets. Another six whites have been shot and wounded, and eyewitnesses have consistently identified the attackers as black men. After police arrested the seven today on charges of conspiracy to commit murder, Mr Joseph Alioto, Mayor of San Francisco, said a "murderous society of brutal killers" called the Death Angels were responsible for the so-called Zebra killings in San Francisco since last November, and for nearly 80 other assaults.—Reuter.

MPs told why Moscow refused them visas

Four British MPs, who are members of the All-Party Committee for the Release of Soviet Jewry, were told yesterday in a cur. letter from the Soviet Embassy why they were refused visas to enter Russia earlier this year. An unnamed official wrote to them saying that "the activities of a committee like this utterly contravene the basic principles of international relations—non-interference into the internal affairs of others."



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OVERSEAS

King Husain offers the Palestine guerrillas free hand at Geneva over recovery of occupied territory

From Paul Marria Beirut, May 1 King Husain of Jordan today declared his acceptance of the Palestine Liberation Organization as "sole representative" of the Palestinians at the Geneva peace talks. He said he would be willing, if the Arabs desired, to give responsibility for recovery of Jordan's West Bank, Jerusalem and Palestinian rights to the guerrilla body.

legitimate rights of the Palestinian people" as set out in United Nations resolutions. However, he made it clear that he no longer stood in solitary opposition to the collective Arab will on the Palestinian resistance as set out in last November's summit at Algiers. This recognized the PLO as the "sole representative" of the Palestinian people, thus giving it the Palestinian voice at the Geneva peace talks.

umbrella guerrilla organization led by Mr Yasser Arafat—have indicated they would be willing to accept such a settlement. This year's question is the topic of discussion of Al Fatah, Mr Arafat's own organization and the biggest of the guerrilla groups, in Damascus at the moment.

Israel sees no end to Golan battle

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, May 1 Today was the fiftieth consecutive day of shellfire on the Syrian-Israeli front. The Syrians opened their attack with an artillery barrage at 4.40 am. There were sporadic exchanges later in the day along the front.

Iraq to hang Kurdish woman for sabotage

Baghdad, May 1—Five people, including a woman, who were alleged to have conspired to bring paraffin to Mullah Mustafa Barzani, the Kurdish leader, were sentenced to death by hanging here today, the Iraq news agency announced.

Malaysia's elusive unity strained

From Hugh Mabbutt Kuala Lumpur, May 1 Tun Tan Siew Sin, who retired last month as Malaysia's Finance Minister and head of the Malaysian Chinese Association (MCA), yesterday called on Malaysians "to rally behind" Tun Abdul Razak, the Prime Minister.

formerly opposition parties a vested interest in the status quo. But elections are hinted at for later this year, and his conditions may not stand the strain.

It will have to solve the contradictions involved in appealing to the mass of the Chinese while regarding its former close relations with UMNO.

Chinese release yacht held for seven weeks

Hongkong, May 1—An Australian shipowner whose yacht strayed into Chinese waters was back home here today after seven weeks' detention in a Chinese village.

Government and Opposition rallies in Ceylon

From Our Correspondent Colombo, May 1 Both the Government and the Opposition staged mass demonstrations of support at May Day rallies today.

S Vietnam troops in heavy fighting near Cambodia

Saigon, May 1—Heavy fighting between Government and communist forces continued close to the Parrot's Beak salient of the Cambodian border today, but the South Vietnamese command denied reports that its troops had crossed the frontier.

Suspicion falls on Nepal as uranium gang's HQ

Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta. After getting the metal into Nepal they smuggled it to Hongkong where Chinese or Pakistani agents took delivery.

Court brawl at Sioux Falls

Sioux Falls, South Dakota, May 1—Four Indians were injured yesterday in a courtroom brawl here when five militants in the Indian movement appeared on trial for contempt of court.

Law to counter kidnap demands

Sacramento, California, April 30—Legislation was introduced here today which would make it a crime to take part in food distribution such as the one demanded by the kidnapers of Miss Patricia Hearst.

Amin ex-wife fined

Kampala, May 1—President Amin's former wife, Mama Mallamu was fined 80 shillings (about £45) here yesterday for having a child without licence. The original charge of attempted textile smuggling was dropped.

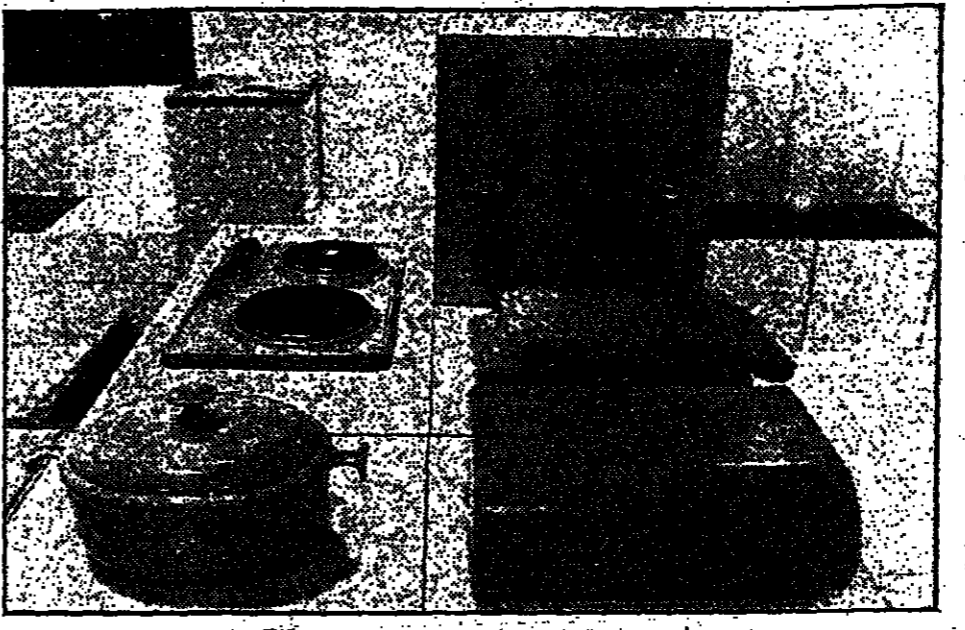
THE MUSLIM WORLD WEEKLY First issue 3rd May, 1974. Every Muslim home in Britain should have a copy every week.

Meals that are simply superb. Most of the everyday meals we serve are fairly simple; few of us have the time to cook elaborate dishes for every occasion.

Bringing the kitchen colour bar to an end

You do not have to live in a bed-sitter to face the difficulties of equipping and furnishing a combination room—many of today's homes are short of living space.

Called the Groupe Harmonic, its 18 member companies periodically agree on a particular colour or colour they will feature in their range of products.



facturers in this country will soon be the French initiative and design. The French initiative and design. The French initiative and design.

Although much that is on show as an exhibition is neither new for France nor for England, we could certainly learn from some of the ways in which colour is being used in France.

Colour coordination in France is not limited to domestic interiors and accents, however; colour is now being more in architectural design.

Another exhibit, which has been created specifically for architects and designers the Polytex colour integrator, a neat device which will reproduce practically any color.



Top left: colour matched in a glowing orange yellow, a selection of housewares from manufacturers in Groupe Harmonic.

Centre left: painted bands of navy, coral apricot and sand transform an otherwise pale facade of flats in Grenoble-Echirolles New Town.

Bottom left: gaily coloured radio, television and tape equipment from Schneider.

Right: Katie Stewart's Polytex colour integrator.

Katie Stewart Meals that are simply superb

well-seasoned, home-made chicken stock or a chicken bouillabaisse. Bring to the boil, then lower the heat until the water is just simmering.

KHRUSHCHEV MEMOIRS

Vigorous cut and thrust with Mr Nixon in 'kitchen sink' debate

With authorisation of Time magazine, extracts from the memoirs of Nikita Khrushchev... long before President Johnson visited me to visit a United States exhibition...



Khrushchev in a rage. Addressing the United Nations and denouncing Franco's 'reactionary, bloody regime', it was on this occasion in 1960 that he took off one of his shoes and thumped the table with it.

York, I had been thinking about how to do this and yet not to be rude at the same time. Of course, a certain amount of rudeness was unavoidable, but I wanted to act according to parliamentary procedure...

Actually, there were cases when delegates attacked each other and started throwing punches. Serious tensions cropped up in our relations with Dag Hammarskjöld... fight with Hammarskjöld, and went into a quarrel with him...

Law Report May 1-1974

House of Lords

Criminal provisions of 1971 Immigration Act not retrospective

Waddington v. Miah alias Ullah, 1972, being a person who was not within the meaning of the United Kingdom without leave... Criminal provisions of 1971 Immigration Act not retrospective...

Hearing in open court: importance of presence of reporters

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University news

Southampton: The personal use of a computer... Oxford: Balliol College has elected as Visitor, from May 1, Lord Kilbrandon... Birmingham: Professor L. H. Patterson...

Church news

Appointments: The Rev. R. J. Grant, vicar of St. Peter's Church, Southwark... The Rev. M. J. H. Jones, vicar of St. Paul's Church, London...

SPORT

Sad timing of Sir Alf Ramsey's departure

By Geoffrey Green Football Correspondent

The end of Sir Alf Ramsey's 11-year reign as manager of the England football team became part of a foreseeable future the night...



Joe Mercer, England's new "caretaker" manager, receives the congratulations of his office staff at Coventry and the club secretary, Eddie Flannery.

Mr Mercer, the genial extrovert and one of England's finest captains in his day, is indeed the ideal man to take over things at an awkward moment...

Text of the FA statement

Committees of the FA, which have been considering the future of English football, have examined some aspects in detail and progress has been made...

planning on the field of play use cannot help feel that the timing of events is curious and sad.

While looking forward it is as well also to look back. Ramsey certainly had his many detractors but he was a man who was much in the matter of public relations, automatic rule and cautious tactical

of ruthlessness—frequently to the foreign press—autocratic, distant, a dictator behind a mask.

From that peak, however, there followed a slow decline, the significance of which is not clear. It was a decline that was not inevitable...

against 59. In that spell he made England a power in the world game.

One of Sir Alf Ramsey's best friends, a building society chairman, Donald Gould, said yesterday that the England manager's dismissal was a "sad day for the game."

Peterborough make sure of championship

Peterborough United, demoted from the third division six years ago, went back in style when they beat Gillingham 4-2 to clinch the fourth division championship last night.

Atletico fined £14,000 for 'anti-sporting conduct'

Geneva, May 1.—The European Football Union (UEFA) tonight announced that it had fined the Spanish champions, Atletico Madrid, about £14,000—the highest penalty yet imposed for anti-sporting conduct in their first leg European Cup semi-final match against Celtic.

Results yesterday

- Second division Luton (3) 3, Sunderland (3) 4, Husband (2), Butler; Hughes, Gowers, Astburn, Halton (20,285)
Third division Blackburn (0) 1, Wrexham (1) 2, Martin; Griffiths, Ashcroft (3,520)
Fourth division Chester (0) 0, Northampton (0) 0, Peterborough (2) 4, Gillingham (1) 2, Colwyn (2), Lee (pen), Turner; Lizards (pen), Wilks (17,569)
Scottish first division Clyde (1) 1, Hibs (0) 1, Boie; Harper
Scottish second division Albion R (0) 0, Queen's Park (0) 1, McNaughton
Raith (1) 2, Clydebank (1) 2, Brown, Robertson; McGovern (2)
Stirling (4) 6, Strath (0) 0, Duffin (2), McMillan, Steele (3)
INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Costa Rica 2, Mexico 1

Too many fixtures

Bishop's Stortford, the Amateur Cup winners, are so far behind with their fixtures that they have asked permission to withdraw from two competitions.

Andrews appointed

James Andrews, the Scotsman appointed coach to Cardiff City, has been in charge at Cardiff since O'Farrell decided to accept the contract to become manager of the Iranian Football Association about a month ago.

Catterick Bridge results

- 2-11 12-6 JOCKEY CAP SEALING RESULTS
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CERTIFIED PPA DIVIDENDS FOR MATCHES PLAYED APRIL 27TH, 1974. VERNONS POOLS, LIVERPOOL. OVER ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY THOUSAND DIVIDENDS WON THIS WEEK.

LITTLEWOODS POOLS, LIVERPOOL. THE POOL OF THE Half-Millionaires THE WORLD'S LARGEST TREBLE CHANCE.

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Racing

Four fillies in line for leading roles

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

During the recent straggling between punter and bookmaker Polygamy, Mill's Bomb, Cake and Mrs Tiggywinkle have been the best backed and the heaviest laid for this year's 1,000 Guineas Snakes...

Gentle Thoughts, Mad Berry, Lady Tan, Celestial Dawn, Mrs Tiggywinkle and Bitty Girl. Gentle Thoughts won that race comfortably enough, but when she failed to finish in a race, as they did, it usually means they are something out of the ordinary.

Mr. Bomb finished just behind Northern Gem and just in front of Helmsdale at Newbury. Northern Gem had a hard race, but she was still to come.

Bar King Tevansell found nothing when Tony Hearty rode him and he was even deprived of second place by Thomas Jefferson who the late George Todd prophesied just a month ago.

Newmarket programme

- 2.0 MAY MAIDEN PLATE (2-y-o: £1,035: 50)
2.30 BRETTY HANDICAP (£1,587: 60)
3.0 QUEEN ANNE WHISKY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,350: 11m)
3.35 1,000 GUINEAS STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £35,494: 1m)
4.05 GLENLIVET HANICAP (3-y-o: £1,450: 7f)
4.35 BOTESDALE HANICAP (3-y-o: £1,245: 11m)
5.05 HASTINGS PLATE (3-y-o: £1,025: 10f)

Newmarket selections

- By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 Green Bell, 2.30 Celtic, Madry, 3.35 Polygamy, 4.5 Uncle Ivor, 5.5 Red Cap.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Foot Tack, 2.30 Baron MBH, 3.0 Record, 3.35 Mr's Bomb, 4.5 Redcap, 4.35 Holly Fern, 5.5 Red Cap.

Wye programme

- 2.15 EASTLING HURDLE (Div I: Selling Handicap: £136: 2m 1f)
2.45 ELMSTAD STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £272: 2m 1f)
4.15 EASTLING HURDLE (Div II: Selling Handicap: £136: 2m 1f)
4.45 CLEARING STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £170: 2m 1f)
7.30 HOLMER HURDLE (Handicap: £408: 2m)
8.0 MADLEY HURDLE (4-y-o: Div II: Novices: £224: 2m)

Wye selections

- 2.15 Rockymont, 2.45 Redwing, 3.15 Seaford, 3.45 Lucky Edge, 4.51 Lark R, 4.45 Gallic Rebel.

Ascot results

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Hereford programme

- 5.30 MADLEY NOVICES HURDLE (4-y-o: Div I: £204: 2m)
6.0 WOOLHOUSE STEEPLECHASE (£40: 2m)
6.30 CANON PYON STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £84: 2 1/2m)
7.30 HOLMER HURDLE (Handicap: £408: 2m)
8.0 MADLEY HURDLE (4-y-o: Div II: Novices: £224: 2m)

Hereford selections

- 5.30 Hesperian, 6.0 Vitrom, 6.30 Golden Bismar, 7.0 Stanhope Street, 7.30 Twelfth Night, 8.0 Commark.

Point-to-point championship horse dies at exercise

The top inter-steeplechase, Double Gum, who had qualified for the Players Gold Lent point-to-point championship final at Hereford last night, died at exercise yesterday morning.

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SPORT

Cricket



Radley hits out during his innings at Lord's yesterday.

Middlesex get the wanted man

By Alan Gibson
LORD'S: Hampshire, with nine first innings wickets in hand, are 284 runs behind Middlesex.

carried on when the opener had left off. Brearley had an early edge through the slips against Roberts. The young West Indian... Middlesex bowled their overs slowly towards the end, not wishing to bat for longer than they had to.

Somerset put Indians out in the cold

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Taunton, Somerset, with all first innings wickets in hand, are 121 runs behind the Indians.

Playing against Tom Cartwright is always hard work for a touring side. The young West Indians... Somerset bowled their overs slowly towards the end, not wishing to bat for longer than they had to.

Horse show
Bellevue forgets his age to help d'Inzeo to a great double

From Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Rome, May 1
Raunondo d'Inzeo brought off a magnificent double on his home ground at the Rome horse show today.

Supreme also incurred a water penalty and a further half-point for time before d'Inzeo came up to dispute the lead on Gorse Away, who like most Irish horses is in his element in keen deep going.

Notts v Essex

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like A. H. H. H. and their performance.

Derbyshire v Sussex

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like M. A. M. and their performance.

Surrey v Leicestershire

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like J. J. J. and their performance.

Oxford U v Warwick

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like W. W. W. and their performance.

Rifle shooting

Table with 2 columns: Name, Score. Lists names like T. T. T. and their scores.

Second XI competition

Table with 2 columns: Team Name, Score. Lists teams like M. M. M. and their scores.

Tennis

Rapid changes in the game make dream come true

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Montreal, May 1
A polyglot party of 17 sports writers, the advance guard of a larger invasion, recently flew from the old world to the new.

Rugby Union

Old is fit to tour with the Lions

Alan Old, the England stand-off, confirmed yesterday that he will be fit for the British Lions tour of South Africa.

Motor racing

Australian confirmed as new driver of Ensign

By John Blunsden
Vern Schuppan, the 31-year-old Australian, has been confirmed as the new driver of the Formula 1 Ensign.

Points changed

A change in the points system for the John Player League, which starts on Sunday, has been announced by county captains.

Golf

Oosterhuis has form in his favour for French Open

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent
Comparisons are odious, but everyone enjoys rivalry. This week in the French Open championship, beginning today at Chamilly, everyone will be turned towards the performances of Britain's two best players.

Card of course

Table with 3 columns: Hole, Yards, Par. Lists hole numbers and distances.

Bousfield defies heavy storm to win third title

Ken Bousfield, the former Ryder Cup player, defied a thunderstorm and heavy rain to win the southern professional golf championship yesterday.

Gallacher walks out of Northern event

Bernard Gallacher (Wentworth), the Scottish professional champion, walked out of the Clydesdale Bank 15th Open golf tournament yesterday.

Rhodesia mission

Salisbury, Rhodesia, May 1—A three-man delegation from the International Olympic Committee arrived in Rhodesia last night on a fact-finding mission.

Baseball

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Flame Gun for Princess Anne

Princess Anne is to ride Flame Gun, one of her younger horses, which she showed considerable promise last season.

With Wisden Cricket's here again

Wisden '74 is out and larger than ever. All you'll ever need to know about cricket is packed into the 1974 edition of Wisden Cricketers' Almanack.

BOOKS

The artist in England

Modern English Painters: Wood to Hockney

By John Rothenstein

(Macdonald & Jane's, £3.50) Sir John Rothenstein was director of the Tate Gallery for 25 years. His enthusiasm for English art at the expense of much of the most important modern European work was reflected in the purchases made under his directorship. Still at least he had a policy and a personal taste. Rothenstein's list of publications reflects his passion for English art. His writings on twentieth-century English artists, particularly his two earlier volumes of Modern English Painters (sadly out of print but the publishers will consider a reprint if there is a demand) are invaluable recordings of the English art world in the early decades of this century. This new volume is equally useful. Besides Hockney and Wood it includes essays on Stanley Hayter, Ceri Richards, Graham Sutherland, John Piper, Edward Burra, Victor Pasmore, Francis Bacon, Lucian Freud, Michael Andrews and Bridget Riley.

try. What self-respecting literary critic would dream of sending his essays on writers to those writers to check and approve? It is for something other than criticism that one goes to Rothenstein's essays. He is the son of William Rothenstein the painter, who was also principal of the Royal College of Art, so that Rothenstein has known many of his subjects personally, often from their student days. If one accepts the uncritical nature of Rothenstein's writing, his personal knowledge is illuminating. Modern English Painters is engaging more for what it says about being an artist in England in the Twentieth century, than for anything which is said about the work of the artists discussed.

Many English artists have been more concerned with being artists than making art. The art is subsidiary to the role. It is possible to understand why this happens. English life is an essentially phallic and hostile to artists and writers that they are very easily forced into assuming a self-conscious stance of bohemia. This still further disenchanting the artist becomes even more alienated and ineffective.

The saddest and perhaps the best chapter in Rothenstein's new book is that on Robert Colquhoun. It is not so much about Colquhoun's painting, as Colquhoun's relationship with his lifelong companion and fellow artist, Robert McBride, and these two painters' personal integration in the drink-soaked London bohemia of the Forties and Fifties. The work of both artists was derivative and has little intrinsic interest now. But the tale of joint drunken decay is tragic and Rothenstein recounts it with tact, sympathy and sorrow.

Paul Overy

Quick guide

The Peninsular War, 1807-1814. Concise history by Eric Foner, Michael Glover (David & Charles, £6.75). The word "concise" is off-putting if one is searching for the fullest coverage, too often it is a misused alternative for abridged. No such word even the order of 300 pages of text and some 70 appendices (these include brief biographies of the principal combatants and statesmen, lists of every regiment and the actions in which they were involved and even the order of battle in the principal engagements). Mr Glover gives a most readable account of this episode.

sofic war, helped by discriminative use of eye-witness accounts. The maps are helpful.

The Next Ten Thousand Years, by Adrian Berry (Cape, £2.50). Subtitled "a vision of the future in the universe". The prophecies are laced with references to the past; it is instructive to see what Plato or Plutarch or Macaulay or Bacon were forecasting. Mr Berry makes even his notion that the solar system will be redesigned to suit earth and man sound logical. In the end one is left with the feeling that the Berry future has been influenced by the work of Arthur C. Clarke. No bad thing. It is refreshing to find that he does not believe Doomsday is just around the corner.



Four faces of Stalin: 1894, circa 1913, 1929 and pock-marked in maturity.

A bad man with yellow eyes

Joseph Stalin: Man and Legend By Ronald Hingley (Hutchinson, £5.85)

Stalin The Man and His Era By Adam M Ulam (Allen Lane, £6.50)

Stalin as Revolutionary 1879-1929 By Robert C Tucker (Chatto & Windus, £4.75)

The phenomenally wickaded and Roneal Hingley's is dramatic ally chained throughout with the blood of the Great Terror and with an untrusting awareness of the false legends constructed around Stalin's early career from the Twenties on, legends which remained a crucial part of his biography itself. He is, as ever, the living example of the dead Lenin, he then smashes Bukharin and takes possession of the field. He did not, as Adam M. Ulam inconsistently allows himself to say at one point, "seize Lenin's mantle". He pulled it towards him very slowly, one small rug at a time, beginning with Lenin's first serious illness (1922) and only

travellers between Tiflis and Gori in the summer of 1917 ("Private Soviet source"). Stalin was vain, vindictive and paranoid. Hingley's Stalin is also a monster of political intelligence, and all three biographers think alike in rejecting the wishful misapprehensions of Trotsky on that score: Stalin was not the apotheosis of bureaucratic mediocrity. Yet he had been a Marxist of only modest revolutionary achievement throughout the Revolution and Civil War—indeed in the disastrous dash for L'ov he was guilty of downright military insubordination—so how, within 10 years, did he attain authority over more people than any other tyrant in history? He had fabulous luck. The deaths of Sverdlov (1919), Lenin (1924), Kirov (1934) and Zhdanov (1948) removed dangerously charismatic rivals at precisely the right moment; in Hitler Stalin was an adversary whose blunders at the heart of the Second World War fortuitously effaced the enormity of his own (how else could any leader have survived the deliberate massacre of his own officer class three years earlier?). But luck played a small role in Stalin's career compared to formidable political skill. Each biographer chooses to look at this in a particular way, though all agree that an important part of it lay in Stalin's barefaced ability to take credit for the successes of his colleagues and discredit them with his own crimes.

Hingley's Stalin is a figure who contrives to stay in the middle of the road no matter where the edges are at any given moment. Thus rising to power as a man of moderation, he discredits the Left (Trotsky, Zinoviev) with the help of the Right (Bukharin); with the aid of the Right he turns the Left, as ever, the living example of the dead Lenin, he then smashes Bukharin and takes possession of the field. He did not, as Adam M. Ulam inconsistently allows himself to say at one point, "seize Lenin's mantle". He pulled it towards him very slowly, one small rug at a time, beginning with Lenin's first serious illness (1922) and only

assuming it finally seven years later. Trotsky thought it was merely a victory for subtle organization, but from each of these new books we can see it was far more, the triumph of patience over bad temper, of plausibility over the dying Lenin's putative curse. Professor Ulam's Stalin is the longest account of the three, extremely thorough and readable, even if pressing rather too close to the reader with its use of dots, italics, screams, questions and curiously chattering, oral-sounding (dictated?) style. Ulam portrays the dictator's career as consciously sustaining a Manichean conflict between absolute Good and absolute Evil, of Light versus Darkness, the Party versus the Enemy. The latter's identity, changed as frequently as the Party's, is first, Lenin and second, Stalin as successor to, and explainer of, Lenin.

The Enemy was anyone who interpreted the Revolution differently from Stalin; it was the peasant class who resisted collectivization in 1930; it was a former colleague who might never forgive ("Bracht"); it was a relative who knew too much; an Army and a secret police who did not owe him everything; it was a son who fell into enemy hands; a son who drank; it was Oleg Mandelstam, Akhmatova, Hitler, Churchill. One of the many paradoxes informing his career was that the more powerful he became, the less secure he felt: Professor Ulam shrewdly observes that of all the terrible political dramas of Joseph Stalin's career, only the Second World War was demonstrably real. The rest is phantasmagoria.

Lenin is the key to Stalin's career from the earliest years as a political prisoner onwards. That mere accession to an absolute power far greater than Lenin's was not enough for Stalin at 50, but had to be transfigured into his universally acknowledged succession as Tsar-Father-Lenin the Second is one of the main themes of Robert C. Tucker's Stalin, Revolutionary, 1879-1929, the first of an ideological and tactical trilogy that looks like

transforming the field of Stalin's studies. It is Professor Tucker's contention that, despite all Stalin's grotesque efforts to the contrary, his right to the Lenin succession, a status apart from, and more mystical than, all the more observable phenomena of the October Revolution, was never acknowledged by his contemporaries, and that he never gave them. The air-brush obliterated his pock-marks and the killing began. Barely a shadow of the Great Terror round the corner, is permitted to fall across the pages of Tucker's book, which is a little peculiar, yet I find it the most interesting and original of the three, and it is implicitly the most Marxist: Tucker best brings the political and economic content of the Revolution to life, and even endearing in its Holles presentation, but class judgment can sometimes lead the narrator astray. Remembering Eric Bevin's description of Lenin's oratory as "click, click, click", Mr Holles tells us that Bevin was unaware that *click* was a French word; but Bevin was a great one for pretending to be what others expected him to be, and his self-parody could well have been lost on the Estonian. Holles spent a comfortable

From reading Tucker's book, one finally sees that Stalin succeeded in 1929-29 not merely because he was a clever politician, but because his policy of apparent moderation was precisely the one the Party most favoured and because, in identifying himself so obsessively as Lenin II, "the bad man with the yellow eyes" he came up with a third Russian Revolution worthy of the role, to envision a second October to parade his followers into line behind him. It was thus that all the elements of his frustrated previous life in date, all the humiliations and reverses, were yoked together with his adopted Russian patriotism in an apparent leap for progress, and the terrible vendetta of enforced cool if the admirable Tucker will keep his Princeton cool through that one. Michael Ratcliffe

Anglo-Catholic upper crust

The Seven Ages Their Exits and Their Entrances By Christopher Hollis (Heinemann, £3.60)

Unlike some other upper-crust English Catholics, Christopher Hollis is quite prepared to forgive successive Popes for being cynical, even treating their antics as manifestations of Mediterranean impertinence. The Seven Ages is dubbed "A selective autobiographical book" by the publishers, but it is more truly an account of the author's religious development, and the application of religious principles to every aspect and almost every event of his life. Mr Hollis dances elegantly on the tips of several needles that have not yet lost their point entirely, and his apparent sense of changelessness in some areas is enchanting. Writing of a childhood nursery maid who knew her Bible well, he asks: "I wonder how many nursery maids of today know the order of the books in the New Testament?" How many nursery maids today? Full stop. On the evidence of this book one could be excused for supposing that the body of English Roman Catholics consists of a neo-Arthurian fellowship of noblemen and dons, with mass of unlearned and inarticulate church and spear-carriers in support. The myth is harmless and even endearing in its Holles presentation, but class judgment can sometimes lead the narrator astray. Remembering Eric Bevin's description of Lenin's oratory as "click, click, click", Mr Holles tells us that Bevin was unaware that *click* was a French word; but Bevin was a great one for pretending to be what others expected him to be, and his self-parody could well have been lost on the Estonian. Holles spent a comfortable

childhood first in Wells and then in Leeds, as the son of a well-placed Anglican cleric. He went on to Eton and Balliol, where he became a Catholic. He taught at Stonyhurst for 10 years, from 1925, before taking up a tutorial post at the Irish-dominated Notre Dame College in Indiana. And one knows from other sources, not from Hollis's own modest account, what an impressive road he broke for his country into that virulently anti-British stronghold where being Catholic and English was regarded as a contradiction in terms. Intelligence work in the wartime RAF and a Parliamentary seat later on brought Hollis into close touch with political leaders of all shades. Solidarity in his assessment of individuals, and with a basic attachment to British institutions, Hollis is nevertheless caustic about the nature of the party system with its Twentieth-century Twentieth-century and its outbreaks of ersatz indignation. Perhaps the author's portraits of friends and acquaintances are the clearer for his concept of the finite intelligent animal temporarily housing the indestructible soul. Everything in his experience, grave or gay, vital or trivial, has a religious connotation, and his description of the way in which he has reconciled his Catholicism of 50 years' standing with a much-changed Church will comfort many a confused co-religionist. A widely travelled man, Mr Hollis has yet visited neither Peking nor Yaguarito, but believes in both on the evidence of probably never now go to Peking, and he will hardly need to spend much face-washing time in the other place. He certainly earns remission of 10,000 purgatorial years for providing such entertaining, illuminating and often silly funny memoirs—English-Catholic-equilibrium whimsies and all. Laurence Cotterell

Chatto & Windus advertisement for Vernon Bartlett's 'I Know What I Liked', Robert C. Tucker's 'Stalin as Revolutionary 1879-1929', and John Roselli's 'Lord William Bentinck: The Making of a Liberal Imperialist 1774-1839'. Includes publisher's name and contact information.

The Basilisk Press advertisement for 'Chaucer's Works' and 'The Australian Flower Paintings of Ferdinand Bauer'. Includes publisher's logo and contact information.

The best of this week's fiction advertisement listing Spy Story by Len Deighton, The Athenian Widow by Robert Harling, Strangers by Mervyn Jones, and other titles with brief descriptions.

War to the Death advertisement for 'The Sieges of Saragossa 1808-9' by Raymond Rudorff, and 'Crime in brief' by M. B. Includes publisher's name and contact information.

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Michael Crawford in the title role of Billy, which opened at Drury Lane last night. Photograph by Zoe Domini.

LSO/Previn

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Stephen Walsh
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Shoulder to Shoulder
BBC 2
Michael Ratcliffe
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HAMPSHIRE PAINTERS 1926-1938
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ALAN REYNOLDS
New Exhibition
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Théâtre des Arts, Rouen
Kenneth Loveland
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Royal Ballet Sadler's Wells

John Percival
To open its fortnight's season at the Wells, the Royal Ballet's touring company on Tuesday presented its three most recent productions. Actually, to describe Kenneth MacMillan's Concerto in that way is cheating...

Clive Barnes

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MADRID

Ailing metropolis keeps its charm despite the fumes and the crowds

by Harry Debelius

A bureaucratic-minded sixteenth-century monarch, King Philip II, decided to install his major government offices as near as possible to the centre of Spain. He picked a poor village on the banks of the puny Manzanares river and that village grew into the city of Madrid.

But it was not until 1606, in the reign of Philip III, that Madrid officially became the capital of Spain. Today Madrid is not only the seat of the country's highly centralized government, it is also one of the busiest commercial and industrial centres of Spain. Its factories produce cars, processed foods, aircraft parts, household appliances, chemical products, clothing, furniture and telephones.

Madrid is also a cultural centre, with dozens of fine museums and theatres, numerous art galleries, regular concerts and many of the best restaurants in Spain. Within Spain, its place in the world of culture and industry cannot be disputed by only one city, the lovely Mediterranean port of Barcelona.

Madrid is charming in parts, but as a city it is too much of a hotchpotch to have the kind of harmoniously impressive character that some other old cities have. Perhaps it is too young; certainly it has grown too fast and too chaotically.

The huge Retiro Park, once the vast, private garden of Spanish kings, is one of the most beautiful in Europe, and the extensive Casa de Campo, with its natural forests of pine and scrub oak, is one of the largest city parks on the continent; yet Madrid suffers from a severe lack of green space.

The broad tree-lined Castellana Avenue is pleasant, but the elegant old mansions that once flanked it are being knocked down one by one to make way for faceless modern architecture. The city's other boulevards, once shaded by great old trees for the comfort of strollers on the central pavement, have been turned into asphalt deserts; the implacable god of inter-continental combustion, the sweet scent of locust blossoms in the spring has been replaced by the stink of car exhausts.

Air pollution is a major problem: Madrid is one of the most polluted cities in Europe. Traffic congestion

is severe during the four daily rush hours—four because of the deeply rooted custom of splitting the day into two work sessions with a long break for the hefty midday meal. That break no longer allows time for a siesta because of the time consumed in going to or from places of work and homes or restaurants, yet it persists like some atrophied vestige of evolution.

An enlightened municipal policy has encouraged the construction of underground car parks in many parts of the city. Yet there is still no parking space. And despite some recent steps to improve public transport, such as an increase in the number of buses and the painting of bus lanes on major streets, the public transport system remains inadequate.

To make matters worse, vast new residential developments on the periphery proliferate, more often than not without the prior establishment of road routes of communication to the centre.

In the overcrowded centre, skyscrapers like the Valencia Tower and the Columbus Tower spring up brazenly in apparent defiance of zoning regulations, increasing the population density and traffic saturation which are the source of infection of the ailing metropolis.

Madrid suffers from an acute lack of planning, mainly the result of its having tripled in population in less than two decades. In the unbridled optimism of the Spanish economic miracle, the city has grown amorphously to house nearly 3,500,000 residents. Belatedly, Madrilenians are discovering that bigness is not always desirable.

In spite of all its problems, Madrid retains a certain charm for Spaniards and foreigners alike. This is partially the reason for the problems, for the city has attracted more residents than it can handle. The influx has pushed up property values and created deficiencies in the most basic of public services, such as the water supply.

Notwithstanding the inconveniences, big business finds in Madrid a place to nest close to the maternal warmth of the powerful central government; practically every major company in Spain has an office in Madrid, even if the factories are elsewhere.

Although there is no port, it is undeniable that Madrid

is well located. Philip II could not have foreseen the age of consumerism, but there are obvious advantages in being able to ship from the middle of the national market.

While the RENFE, Spain's national railway system, is still huffing and puffing in the effort to show a profit, and has deficiencies common to British Rail and other European railway systems, the important national railway lines do converge on Madrid. Likewise, principal roads radiate like spokes from the city to all parts of the country. And Madrid is one of the major and most concentrated markets in the country, with a higher per capita income than almost any other province.

With all its urban woes, Madrid still has much to recommend it. Only an hour or two's drive to the north or west of the smog-bound city lies one of the most beautiful mountain ranges in this mountainous country. Tens of thousands of weekend and summer homes dot the pine-splashed slopes of the Guadarrama and Sierra de Gredos. Numerous artificial lakes, most of them reservoirs for the insatiable thirst of the capital, nestle in the mountain valleys, providing opportunities for water sports and fishing. In winter there is skiing.

Madrid's climate is also in its favour. It is continental which means it is quite cold in winter and quite hot in summer—but it is a dry climate, meaning that the winters have hardly any slush and sleet and the summers offer a refreshingly low level of humidity.

The life style of Madrilenians is delightfully contagious. It is normal to see crowds walking along the main shopping street, the Gran Via, at 1.30 am. Most restaurants serve dinner from nine to shortly after midnight; some keep open later. Theatre and cinema matinees start at about 7.30 and the evening show starts about 10.30, with night clubs filling up even later for the first show at about 11.15. While there are few all-night places in Madrid, it is easy to stretch an evening to 3 am or 4 am.

Foreigners are frequently puzzled by the hours, wondering when the people of Madrid sleep. Madrilenians probably do sleep less than their neighbours north of the border; certainly they spend less time in their homes. They

start the day later too. Most shops are open from about 9.30 am to 1.30 pm and from about 5.00 pm to 8.30 pm.

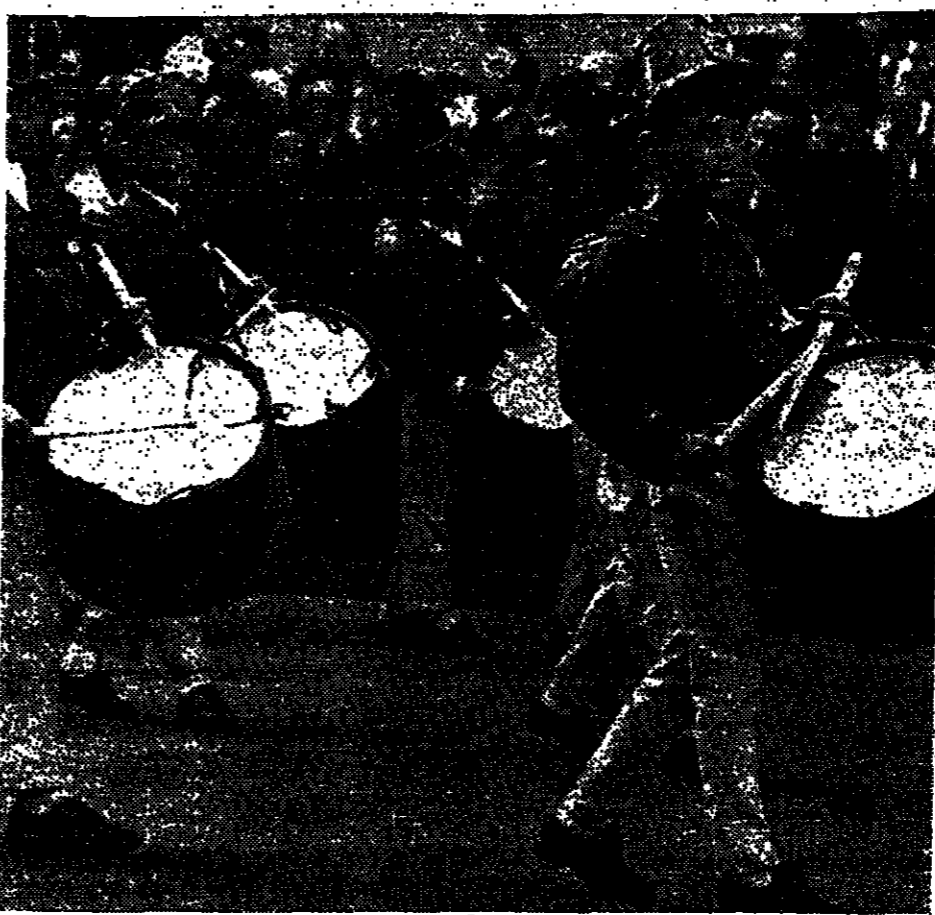
Handsome architectural heritages and quaint reminders of other days dot the labyrinthine streets of the old part of Madrid. The proud Plaza Mayor, a living monument to the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, is closed each year with a three-storey car park cleverly disguised under its multi-coloured paving stones.

Strollers fill the cafés and outdoor restaurants in this plaza in good weather. At Christmas time it becomes a market for Christmas trees, ornaments and figures for the traditional crèche that decorates every Spanish home. On special occasions stands are set up in the plaza for ceremonies and bullfights. Walk-up flats in the ancient stone buildings lining the porticoed square are fashionable. Merchants trade on the history of the place. One of the restaurants laces its wine with romance; the former inhabitant of the house where it is located, Luis Candias, was a Spanish Robin Hood.

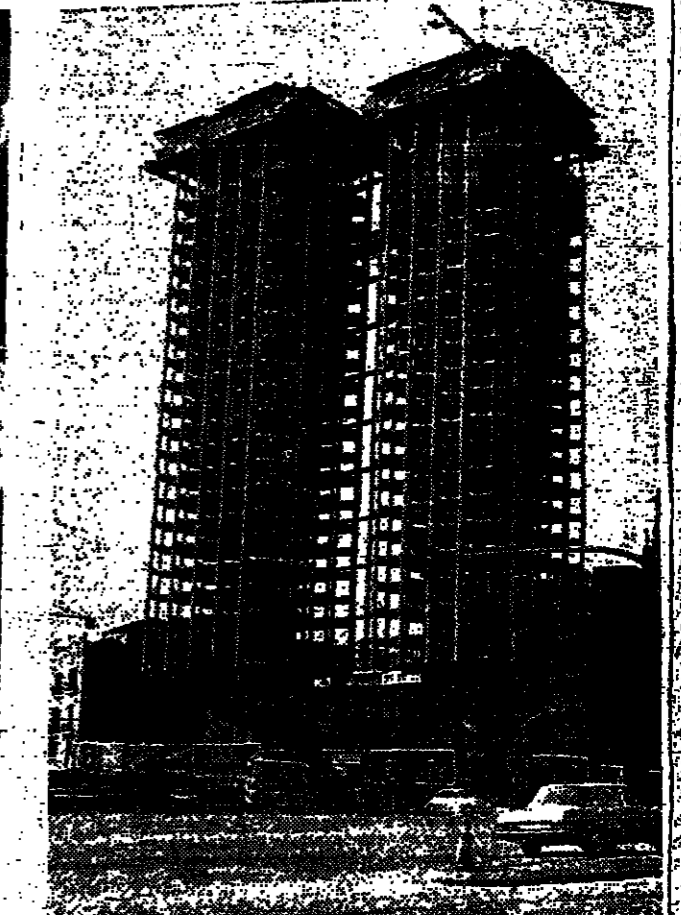
The Puerta del Sol is another of Madrid's captivating plazas. A stone marker in front of the main police headquarters in this plaza indicates Kilometre 0, the point from which distances are measured to every part of Spain on the national road network. The broad pavements of this busy hub of circulation are usually crowded with pedestrians; the biggest department stores are within an easy stroll of the Puerta del Sol. On New Year's Eve traffic stops here as crowds pack the square and each person tries to swallow one grape for each chime of the clock on the tower of the police headquarters.

The narrow streets and plazas are characteristic of Madrid. So are the many flamenco clubs, although flamenco dancing is Andalusian, not Castilian. Equally typical are the gypsy beggars who persist despite the boom, the blind lottery sellers and the chestnut vendors in the autumn.

But no less typical are the modern blocks of flats on the outskirts, many with their own swimming pools and tennis courts. Most of the people who live in Madrid were born elsewhere. Perhaps this, more than anything else, provokes the contrasts you see and sense in this city, and makes its character hard to define.



Ancient and modern: the traditional Good Friday procession through the city. Right: the Columbus Tower nearing completion in the Plaza de Colon.



Photographs: Sarah Quill

Students worried about where next peseta is coming from

by Christopher Reed

Although Spain's 15 major universities and 14 advanced technical colleges need an estimated £23m to improve standards and facilities, the average student is more concerned about where his next *duro* five peseta piece is coming from.

Miguel, aged 23, a third-year engineering student at Madrid, is typical. Madrid accounted for a third of Spain's 228,529 scholars in advanced education at the end of 1972, the last year for which full figures are available.

Miguel's day starts at 7 am, when he dons a military uniform and makes sure his badges are shining. Like thousands of fellow students, Miguel is having to combine his country's compulsory military service of 15 months with his studies. From 8 am to 2 pm he ploughs through paperwork as a *soldado de primero*—private—at a department of the military command near Madrid's Atocha railway station. His pay is 100 pesetas—about 7p a month.

As he lives with his parents on most days Miguel is lunching with them by 2.30, the normal time in Spain, Madrid University functions in two daily sessions, repeating the same lectures, so Miguel, like his college boys, "uniform" of blue jeans and sweater, usually attends from four or five in the afternoon until 9 or 10 pm. Then there

is dinner and sometimes a few drinks with friends in a bar. He is in bed by midnight.

The academic year, which lasts from October to June with three weeks' holiday for Christmas and 10 days for Easter, costs him about £21.73 for tuition, and his books double that sum. All courses are five years long, except medicine, which is six.

Miguel does not receive a grant—only 4,528 university faculty members in the whole country received them under the last plan published—and like almost all Spanish students he comes from a middle-class family. The rest have an upper-class background. Miguel's father is a businessman and his mother works as a secretary to help him through his course. But he earned nearly £700 himself last summer giving lessons and acting as a lifeguard at two swimming pools.

He has four months' military service to go and he shrugs off the experience as a boring waste of time, but without getting excited about the political implications. He is more critical of those who have *enfaches*—connections—This means a kind of Spanish old boy network which smooths the path for the privileged in all walks of life.

Miguel says: "Some students do their military training in the summer only when the university is closed down; other go just once a week. Their fathers all have connections, but I am still lucky that many. I'm not really hard up."

Luis was hard up. Now aged 23, he has finished his economics course at Madrid.

He shared a flat with three other students in Argüelles, a student area near the vast sprawling campus in the north-west corner of the capital. It is so big that regular buses run along the wide streets connecting one lecture hall with another.

The four paid £10 a month for an apartment with separate bedrooms, but no installed heating and no *aguar caliente* (hot water) to help them through the capital's cold winter. His tuition cost £15 a year and books about £26. He ate in the subsidized university canteen and watched the meal prices almost triple in five years to the present 29p.

After a regular job with an insurance company, his studies became too intense for evening work alone, and he turned to the bizarre and sometimes pathetic pocket money that the poorer students earn in Spain. He gave his blood as often as allowed, once every eight weeks, for £7.25 a time. He offered to *pasase los perros*—(take people's dogs for walks)—and spent Christmas morning cleaning up the gutter for £7.25. He said: "The full census is at the end of every decade, but they do a follow-up midway through so that with our five-year course system, a student has a good chance of doing the work."

Another time Luis taught mathematics five hours a

week for about £15 a month. "Again I was lucky being in economics because maths is the favourite at-home subject for families with extra coaching for their children. The poor arts graduates don't get much of a chance. You can't lecture eight-year-olds on Goya or Fernando and Isabel."

For two years, Luis admitted, life was hard. "I was poor, but I would not ask my father for money although most students do. I only had to train in the army during the summers, and as for the odd jobs, that period was almost a university course by itself."

The most bizarre earnings come to medical students. They help with post-mortem examinations on road accident victims at about £15 each. "Nobody blames their parents for that," but it becomes a bit ghastly when they start speculating about the holiday road toll.

During the week that Miguel and Luis talked to me, police helicopters droned overhead watching demonstrations over the garbage at the previous weekend of a Catalan anarchist and a Polish illegal entrant, who had both murdered a policeman. Not one politically active student also spoke to me and even Luis and Miguel are not their real names, by request.

Open rebellion in Spanish universities today is nothing like California or Tokyo in the late 1960s, or even the London School of Economics. Left-wingers say the reason for this is plain fear; conservatives say the bulk of stu-

dents are basically satisfied. Another reason may be that the underprivileged do not get to university in the first place.

Whatever the true situation is, there is a malaise in Spanish academic life. Luis, Miguel and others complained about the lack of good teaching, the lack of personal tuition, poor facilities, and a generally arid air about the intellectual life on campus. The world has almost forgotten that up to the end of the sixteenth century the University of Salamanca was one of the finest in Europe, and in terms of mathematics and science, probably the greatest.

A new deal for Spain's universities is being considered by the Government. It is hoped to create a new law offering better opportunities to poorer students. Until now, the criteria for admission are the results of the sixteenth century examinations, and in terms of mathematics and science, probably the greatest.

The Government also aims to establish a fairer entry system. "The plan is to standardize qualifications so that intellectual ability and a serious approach to studies will be the criteria, rather than the advantages of background money," a Ministry of Education official said.

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Inflation and energy crisis hit industry's growth

Madrid, Spain's largest city, continued to grow both physically and economically last year, but the rate of growth in business and industry slackened considerably in the latter part of the year.

This dip was not confined to Madrid, it was a national affair. Businessmen in the capital attributed it to the high rate of inflation, officially calculated at more than 14 per cent, and the international energy crisis with its multiple repercussions.

These two things forced up the price of raw materials and, according to the Ministry of Industry, caused industrial wages to rise by an average of more than 20 per cent. Investments rose during the year but the investment curve turned downward in the final months because of credit restrictions imposed by the Government to combat inflation.

However, the buoyant first part of the year tried Madrid-based industry through with an average increase in production of more than 16 per cent compared with 1972, according to a study made by the state-run trade union organization.

Commerce in the city showed a less inspiring picture. Particularly in the food trade rising costs cut into profits and rising prices discouraged consumers from buying the more expensive specialty goods.

Reflecting the mixed economic pattern, the Madrid stock market wound up the year with an index of growth in the value of shares traded which was less than the increase shown in the cost of living index.

By contrast, the tourist industry was far healthier in Madrid last year than in any previous year. Nearly every month was characterized by a greater increase in the number of visitors compared with the same month of the previous year, than that registered in the national average. In July, for example,

there were 43 per cent more tourists in Madrid than in July, 1972.

This tendency, combined with the Government's decision to remove price controls on the rooms of five-star hotels, encouraged improvements and investment in hotel construction.

The fact that nearly half of the 100 Spanish companies with the greatest volumes of sales had their head offices in Madrid is indicative of the affinity between big business and the highly centralized Government and of the importance of the city.

Spain's most notable producer of communications equipment, Standard Electric, has its main factories and laboratories in the Madrid area. The Chrysler factory, producing cars and lorries for the domestic market and for export, is on the outskirts. The principal aircraft manufacturer, CASA, has a large plant near Madrid. El Aguila, the leading beer producer, has several breweries. There are a number of cement factories too: the Compañia General de Asfaltos y Portland, the biggest cement maker, has its headquarters in the city.

The study prepared by the sindicatos, the trade union organization, shows that Madrid is the second most important industrial centre in the country. It is surpassed only by Barcelona and is considerably ahead of Bilbao. The study indicates that the metal-working industry is its most important; again, this is second in extent and volume of sales only to the metal-working industry of Barcelona. Most of the Madrid factories are on the outskirts, in such places as Getafe, Alcala de Henares and Aranjuez.

The chemical industry is also vital to the city's economy. It is concentrated almost exclusively in the four provinces of Barcelona, Madrid, Valencia and Alicante. Following the general pattern, Madrid takes second place to Barcelona. But in

terms of production its share of this industry is diminishing.

In speaking of Madrid as an industrial centre, one has to point out that many of the factories are beyond the city limits and that there is a trend towards moving factories away to towns in the neighbourhood or to suburbs, some of them outside the province of Madrid but still within the city's financial and marketing orbit.

The rise in land values is probably the main cause of the shift. But industries are moving further and further out because the rapid growth of population has led to a housing boom on the periphery that pushed up land values there too.

A survey carried out by the municipal authorities showed that in the six years ended in 1970, altogether 6,827 new businesses were established in Madrid. Yet the number of business establishments in the central boroughs decreased during the period. The sprawling Carabanchel area, on the eastern edge, which is largely a working-class residential district, showed the greatest gain in the number of new businesses.

Most of these were small shops employing only a few workers. The west end of the city, primarily another working-class residential district, also gained in the number of new businesses.

Apart from land values, the municipal study suggested that such things as restrictions on noise and pollution levels, as well as the tax structure, influenced the shift of businesses. Other probable factors were traffic congestion and the availability of the labour force.

For other reasons, mainly to favour poorer provinces and areas, the Government has encouraged the establishment of "satellite cities" within easy reach of the capital. One such city is Guadalajara, the capital of the province of the same name. It now has a thriving commercial and economic life of its own, on the strength of its as-much-

within the sphere of Madrid's economy as Sabadell is, for example, within the sphere of Barcelona's.


Another effort, on a broader scale, to promote industry in depressed provinces was the establishment of *polos de desarrollo*, or development points, as an integral part of the various three-year and four-year governmental economic development plans. Certain fiscal and credit advantages were offered to industries settling in or near the development points. But the scheme was only moderately successful.

Even taking into account development points, satellite cities and the movement to the outskirts, it appears that Madrid's industry is destined to continue to grow as long as the economy is expanding on a national scale. Madrid offers businessmen advantages that are difficult to match elsewhere, not the least of which is its position as the country's financial and banking centre and the seat of government.

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Pollution threatens the priceless treasures of the Prado

by Anthony Jones

As a first-time visitor to Madrid recently my initial and most vivid impression was of the traffic. My second was the result of all that traffic—pollution. It hangs except when there is rain, like a faintly blue curtain a few feet off the ground. It permeates everything and you can almost taste the fumes.



Señor Xavier de Salas, director-general of the Prado Museum, at which he is director-general. Madrid's atmospheric pollution has already attacked layers of varnish over many of the Prado's paintings, and could soon affect the pigments.

The traffic weaves through the centre of the city like a metallic river along very wide roads. It is terrifying, and every one of the cars and drivers particularly drives with an anarchic zeal bordering on the murderous. Though I did not see any bad accidents, almost all vehicles bear the scars of past encounters. It is like the dogfight in the rush hour, one acquaintance said, with one contemplating his own battered car.

Measures are being taken, but nevertheless it is the traffic and pollution that remain the worst. Pollution, of course, is a vague word—like "environment"—but it is a problem that the planners need to tackle ruthlessly and with vigour. If the city is to remain a pleasant place for anyone to want to live in, it is in another part of the city—a most important part—for lovers of art—that something drastic needs to be done soon. For the Prado Museum has the problem of too many visitors, all of whom are polluting the atmosphere at an increasing rate.

Ambitious remedies are needed in a city choked by traffic

More than any other Spanish city, Madrid is choking on its own traffic. Rapid and poorly controlled growth, inadequate budgets for new routes and parks, a public transport system which never seems to catch up with the city's needs, and widespread bad driving habits, all combine to make life less pleasant for the people who live and work in Madrid.

Recent years, among them, Señor Carlos Arias Navarro, the Prime Minister, have not been blind to the disorder caused by traffic, but their efforts so far have only staved off a complete citywide collapse.

Few Madrileños would dispute that Señor Arias Navarro, in his decade as mayor, was one of the most dynamic and efficient administrators the capital has had. His successor, Señor Miguel Ángel García Lomas, is also tackling the city's ailments with determination and energy. But it will take a long time to sort out the urban anarchy of a city

and in his own right it is a masterpiece of Spanish architecture. The director-general of the Prado—one of the richest galleries in the world—is Señor Xavier de Salas, who has been with the museum since September, 1961. He is a calm, soulful man, tall with grey hair. He is a collector of art history, and was formerly director of the Spanish Institute in London and cultural attaché at the Embassy in London from 1947.

He is naturally a hard worker and a vociferous spokesman on behalf of the museum. In response to an appeal by him in late 1973 a committee was appointed by the Government to discuss how to protect the Prado's treasures from air pollution.

When I spoke to him he reiterated what he has said often before, that the most important of all air conditioning. The great building in Madrid was inaugurated in 1819 by order of Fernando VII with the title of Museo Nacional. Charles III began its building and it was intended to be a museum of natural sciences. The designer was Juan de Villanueva,

Another of his concerns is security. Ensuring it is as much a problem in Madrid as elsewhere in the world. "You really cannot guard against the madman. It is the same all over the world in galleries and museums." About the value of the paintings he spread his hands and said: "They are of incalculable value; how do you value the priceless?"

He then discussed more general problems. "We are cramped for space, of course. There are stories that we have 2,000 or more pictures for showing. Indeed, if I had more room I would certainly show another 300 or 400 pictures which are at present in other centres in Spain."

Lighting in any gallery is of paramount importance, and there is no doubt that the Prado is badly lighted. He has to wear glasses on the ground floor—like the very short-sighted to distinguish any detail at all. But then, too bright lights would tend to fade the canvases. A colleague told me that when a television documentary was made there recently the arc lights could be switched on only for 30 seconds at a time and for fear

of melting the varnish under the concentrated heat. For a long time Prado officials have been awaiting a report which would give some indication of what might be done. But this report is not to be published now.

Instead it is intended to set up a Fine Arts Quarter around the Prado. This plan supersedes a previous one to enlarge and reconduct the building. It will take years to establish and will prove expensive. It will also mean distributing the Prado's paintings to galleries near by and will effectively destroy the very thing the museum is famous for—its ability to present a range of works unsurpassed in the world.

The plan has been announced while schemes to buy and reconduct much of the surrounding property are still nebulous. No one has indicated where the money is to come from, either. Certainly, if everything goes according to plan over the years it will be the finest complex of art treasures in the world. But in the meantime the problem remains of how to protect and ensure the future of the paintings already there.

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Most ambitious project in Europe in terms of urban traffic planning, one 19-mile section alone of Peace Avenue will cost an estimated \$45m excluding the value of the land taken over. The motorway will have between six and fourteen lanes—the estimated traffic density varies from one section to another—18 clover-leaf interchanges, 15 secondary interchanges and 58 structures, mostly bridges.

Other efforts to tackle the traffic problem involve trying to direct and channel zoning to hold down the population density in newly developed areas. Thus many of the new skyscraper blocks of flats will at least be separated by landscaped open spaces. Zoning regulations and land costs vary, and the need for low-rent housing is still great. Land speculation and inadequate planning are the two main causes of Madrid's city planners, who must look to the future without neglecting remedies for the errors and oversights of the past.

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SPAIN The Challenge of Expansion

The Western world, and particularly Spain's trading partners, seem overwhelmed by economic and monetary chaos. What is the role of the Spanish economy in the midst of an international situation which, whilst causing considerable concern, should not be construed too pessimistically.

The answer is that the Spanish Government has had to choose one of two alternatives: either to put the brakes on expansion in favour of stability and at the risk of "stagflation", or a 5 or 6% rate of expansion at a modest rate of inflation. The new Ministers, progressive to a man, have opted for the second of these alternatives.

There are three official policy objectives. First, to guarantee internal equilibrium by strict price control of essential goods and services and of wages, salaries and profits. The second objective is to maintain economic expansion by encouraging an appropriate level of investment. This involves tax concessions for selective investment, credit control and the encouragement of industrial reorganization. An increase in the scope of the capital market is also planned with proposals in hand for improving its efficiency, an important feature this, as the Spanish capital market, with the aid of foreign investments, has contributed to the country's industrialization. Spain today is moving towards a more sophisticated development stage in which capital resources will be used with greater prudence and selectivity. The third and final objective is to redistribute the tax burden along more egalitarian lines through a series of tax changes: the introduction of a new capital gains tax and measures to reduce tax evasion. But, can expansion be continued? Businessmen and government officials alike fortunately think that social and industrial development will prove to be stronger forces than economic and financial conservatism. What is certain is that the fast pace of industrial revolution witnessed in the previous 14-year stage of reconstruction has left many individuals and institutions floundering in its wake. But no one can overlook the fact that Spanish income per capita shot up from about U.S.\$250 p.a. in 1959 to an estimated U.S.\$1,500 in 1973. So, Spain, currently holding tenth place in the listing with over 6,000 million dollars in gold and currency reserves, finds itself in a much stronger position than many of its neighbours to deal with the crisis brought about by the dramatic increase in posted petroleum prices. Consequently, it would not appear to be false optimism to forecast the continued expansion of the Spanish economy, particularly if the possible negative effects of the international situation are compensated by concerted planning and a more rational approach to, and awareness of, collective responsibility.

table, foreign investments in Spain will increase during the next two years by 1,500 million dollars, within the favourable framework implied in the "texto refundido" of the relevant legislation on foreign capital investment in Spanish companies. Furthermore, sources in international economic organisations have stated that the Spanish balance of payments will remain in surplus, that long term capital will continue to flow to Spain, and that the increased cost of imports resulting from the increased cost of petroleum products will be financed without great difficulty. In a stormy western world, the weather forecast for Spain looks favourable.

The IV Spanish Development Plan: "Humanising Progress"

Spanish development is conceived and conducted through the Ministry of Development Planning, a body with tasks similar in many ways to those of the British National Economic Development Council (N.E.D.C.). For the Spanish Government today a key problem is the need to channel economic growth in a way which is by no means seen as a mere by-product of economic growth. The Spanish path towards expansion is based on a multi-dimensional definition of development which includes everything concerned with the development of individuals and society. Industrial growth has placed a high priority on maintaining the "standard of life", but has not shown the same ability to improve the quality of life. Resolving this disparity is now the lynch pin of government action.

What is sought is a "civilized development" placing economic expansion at the service of man and his way of life. This attractive philosophy is realised through the Fourth National Development Plan, which takes effect from the 1st of January, 1976, in three closely connected fields of action: Regional development, social justice and ecological balance. Regional development aims at the equitable distribution of the wealth generated by economic growth, so that all the country's areas benefit from the fruits of progress. The thinking behind the plans for regional development is not directed at the creation of new suburban development centres—which by their very location and density tend to reduce the quality of life—but at the creation of new geographical development areas far from the cities. The Government, according to reliable information from economic circles, is firmly decided to aid and encourage Spanish and overseas companies prepared to invest in formerly less prosperous parts of the country. The improvement of the quality of life also implies avoiding painful migration movements and their consequences. "Labour should not have to move to the capitals, but the capitals to the labour" would seem to be the new slogan in keeping with the principle of an economy at the service of man. The ecological factor will be kept in mind in all government actions, so that the environment will be conserved for the benefit of the community. For those of us who spend our holidays in Spain, it will be a relief to learn that this government concern for the environment in Europe's leading tourist country.

Favourable Perspective for Investment in Spain

The Spanish Prime Minister and seven Ministers of his Cabinet recently attended a meeting organised by Business International, which received little press coverage. What were the results of this meeting? The Business International Group consists of over 150 multinational companies from all over the world. Its objectives are to examine the economic and political situation pertaining in particular countries and to advise its member companies so that their investments achieve maximum return and stability. This service is carried out through "off record" round tables like the one held recently in Madrid. According to a Business International correspondent, the impression prevailing at the Madrid meeting was that international businessmen have more confidence in Spain than in most other countries. Business sources present at the meeting gave a number of more concrete impressions. For example, that forecast growth in Spanish G.N.P. is 5%, and that the government proposes a 7% exemption on all investments. According to the same sources, foreign investments will continue to be well received, especially in fields of advanced technology and export promotion, although factors such as the region involved and the nature of the industry are also to be taken into account. It is calculated that as a result of the Business International round

Minister Gutierrez Cano

The personality of Joaquín Gutiérrez Cano, 53, Minister of Development Planning, seems well-suited to the image of a dynamic, modern and expanding Spain. His diplomatic experience in developed countries, as Commercial Attaché in Germany and as Ambassador in Japan, and a wide view of international monetary problems acquired as an Executive Director of the World Bank, reflect Spain's concern to intensify its progressive integration in the world economy.

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Authoritarianism has not stifled art

The recent appearance of both Christie's and Sotheby's on the Madrid scene demonstrated the growing importance of the Spanish capital as an art market.

Christie's opened its own office in Madrid and held the first auction last December. Sotheby's moved into the city in company with a Spanish art dealer, Seskia. Both were apparently attracted by the high prices being paid for paintings and other art objects. Their presence contributed to a slight depression in the Madrid art market but at the same time stimulated trading. While prices slipped somewhat from a surprisingly high point, more works came out of private collections and were offered for sale.

Apart from the odd old master, offered at prices that only the richest people or large museums could afford, the biggest thing in painting in Madrid now seems to be the work of nineteenth-century Spanish painters, many of them noteworthy but little known outside Spain. Among canvases bringing the highest prices are those of Joaquín Sorolla, a turn-of-the-century Spanish Impressionist who is better known in Britain than in the land of his birth.

But a boom in the works of "dead" painters, however, says little for the current state of art and culture. There is little doubt that the arid soil of authoritarianism has limited the crop of Spanish artists and writers for more than a generation; but it certainly has not completely stifled Madrid's art and cultural desert.

Some of the most talented people in Spain left to remain only for brief visits, or never, after General Franco's uprising. The political climate and censorship have hampered artistic production, particularly in film and literature. For example, Luis Buñuel, for instance, have managed often working outside Spain but keeping their roots there—to turn out internationally recognized works. Painters like

Joan Miró, who is said to have sold some of his paintings to pay fines imposed on political dissenters, have found a way to continue working in Spain, producing outstanding work.

Miró does not live in Madrid, but in the prevailing political atmosphere, the influences are similar on artists in all parts of the country. There seems to be a wellspring of talent in Spain, capable of surviving the most arduous trials.

And, despite Pablo Picasso's vow—which he kept—never to return to his native country as long as General Franco's regime remained in power, the regime is not insensitive to the loss of talent resulting from political dissent. The regime obliges some authors to publish abroad; Spanish courts imprison or fine people like Manuel Somoza, a film director and cartoonist who is well known for his satirical criticism of sacred tenets.

At the level of the censors and the political courts, there appears to be a fear of innovation as something disruptive. They are capable of finding implications of which even the artist is unaware. They have no sense of humour; they fear and punish what they consider to be pernicious insults and invasions to the degradation of society. But at the top, the regime shows some concern about saving Spain's reputation in the world of art, literature, music and even philosophy.

The Government has tried its best to recover some of Spain's lost talent. Before Picasso's death, representatives of the Government sustained long negotiations in the hope of bringing back to Spain Picasso's great and controversial work "Guernica", inspired by the Nazi fire-bombing of the ancient Basque capital of Guernica under General Franco's orders in the Spanish Civil War. Picasso dedicated it to the Spanish people, but it remains in New York on deposit. Swallowing that, the regime is ready to make "Guernica" the piece de resistance of a large new museum of modern art at Madrid's University City if it can recover the canvas.

The theatre in Madrid, although not always of high quality, is thriving with the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CLOSER TO IMPEACHMENT

Once again Mr Nixon has spoken to the nation, and once again he has failed to convince. The massive volume of transcripts of his taped conversations...

aid against him over Watergate. The events described are complicated, unfolding over many months, and a certain amount of confusion could be construed as lending verisimilitude to the record.

take into consideration many other issues besides the main Watergate affair. The allegations of misconduct over the ITT trust suit, over the milk fund, in the manifold activities of the "plumbers" unit, in Mr Nixon's own tax affairs, are all very grave...

TEACHERS ON THE MOVE

If the Department of Education had published its survey of turnover among schoolteachers three days earlier it is easy to imagine how eagerly the 11,000 teachers who marched to Parliament on Monday would have seized on it in support of their case.

profession generally is high. In the country as a whole the turnover was more than 20 per cent, or an average stay of about five years in each post.

to the pupils and to those new recruits who encounter all the most difficult problems of their trade right at the start without adequate support, and are lost to the profession for ever.

Legal aid in divorce

From Mr Richard White. Sir, Professor Terence Morris (April 22) called for a decrease in the cost of a speech by me (April 22) that my major premise was that for the foreseeable future the legal services budget will not be permitted by the Treasury to take a higher share than it now has in national expenditure.

matters which I have suggested should have a higher priority, without any extra cost, in existing divorce proceedings. It is not to be used as a means of raising revenue for social workers in the manner he advocates.

Labour history

From Mr P. E. Tucker. Sir, I read with interest in your issue dated April 26 the report on the future of the ILP records. Your report goes on to mention the desirability of creating a centre in this country for the study of the history of the Labour movement.

Jobs for retired civil servants

From Lord Windlesham. Sir, In his article in your issue of April 27 commenting on the decision of Sir William Armstrong to accept an appointment with the Midland Bank after his retirement from the public service, George Hutchinson mis-states the rule about civil servants accepting jobs outside the public service after their retirement.

Referendum on EEC

From Mr Neil Marten, Conservative MP for Banbury. Sir, As the MP who moved the Amendment to the European Communities Bill, which would have made our entry into the Common Market subject to a referendum, I might be permitted to comment on Mr David Wood's article (April 29) on the referendum question.

Veterinary Service

From Mr H. Thompson. Sir, Both Sir John Ritchie and Professor Pugh (April 15 and 22) have drawn attention to the difficulties currently facing the State Veterinary Service, and have implied this is largely due to internal structural problems.

Uncovering corruption in public life

From Lord Shawcross, QC. Sir, As one who long ago had some responsibility for investigations into allegations of corruption and also some experience of the conduct of Royal Commissions, perhaps I may be permitted a comment on certain aspects of current discussion on these matters.

Selection principle in education

From Mrs L. G. Gornall. Sir, Mr Tyrrell Burgess and Mr Christopher Price believe in sincerity just they and those who think with them have the one and only answer to the type of education which will supply the needs of all children and, by implication, it follows that those who are not completely agreed with them do not care about the needs of children and should therefore not discuss the matter. This is an arrogant assumption.

Famine in Africa

From Mr David Smithers. Sir, It is a cruel fact that there are no ships in a shipwreck. Mr Marcus Linear (April 30) might not be so loftily objective about the current suffering of the Sahelian people if he were to find himself in Chad tonight with us, as I am, in the Sahel.

BBC documentary on the General Strike

From Mrs Elizabeth Sussex. Sir, As the researcher who worked on the BBC TV documentary about the General Strike, and as a writer on films in my own right, I hope you will allow me to contradict Mr Paul Rotha's allegation (April 23) that we misused old film and had an attitude of "anything goes" without check or conscience.

Police clearance

From Mrs E. M. M. Gornall. Sir, I notice in your issue today (April 26) that the Libyan Arab Republic, advertising for teaching staff for the University of Tripoli, requires applicants to furnish, together with other proofs of fitness, police clearance certificates. Prospective candidates may be puzzled by this requirement.

Artists and VAT

From Mr Derek Parker. Sir, To illustrate the recent correspondence about VAT and the writer/artist, might I say that I have just sent off my hundredth VAT invoice, and that of this total over one half have been for sums under £2, including two for 17p. Can there be any sane person who does not regard this as a waste of time (and postage being what it is, money)?



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Banquet

Corporation of London
On the occasion of the visit of the Queen of Denmark and the Prince of Denmark to the City of London yesterday the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London presented an address of welcome and afterwards a banquet was held in Guildhall at which Prince Richard of Gloucester was present.

Tourist day and feasts for Danish Queen

By Philip Howard
The Danish coronation continued to be celebrated yesterday, as Queen Margrethe and the Prince of Denmark were revolved on the ceremonial and remorseless merry-go-round of a state visit.



Queen Margrethe of Denmark waving to spectators after laying a wreath yesterday on the Churchill Memorial in Parliament Square.

Egyptian figure, sold for £357 two years ago, fetches £3,675 at Christie's

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
Christie's recorded an astonishing piece of price multiplication yesterday. An Egyptian black stucco figure, 7 1/2 inches high, sold for £3,675 (Sydney) at a Christie's sale two years ago the same figure fetched £357.

OBITUARY SIR FRANK PACKER

Ebullient Australian newspaper proprietor

Sir Frank Packer, KBE, for many years a powerful and influential figure in Australian newspaper and magazine publishing, died yesterday. He was 67.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D. N. MacA. Campbell, Jr of Strathairn and Miss M. A. Wiggins
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr Campbell of Strathairn, and Miss Wiggins of Strathairn.

Marriages

Mr A. F. Hitch and Miss C. M. Pyke-Les
The marriage took place in St Paul's Church, Covent Garden on April 27, 1974 between Alan Hitch and Miss Celia Pyke-Les.

25 Years Ago

From The Times of Monday, May 2, 1949
King Leopold
The immediate future of King Leopold III and of the Belgian throne is the subject of more controversy in Brussels.

Marriages

Mr R. H. Hoshorn and Miss T. M. A. Frowen
The marriage took place on April 20 at St Nicholas's, Compton, Surrey, of Mr Richard Hoshorn and Miss T. M. A. Frowen.

Luncheons

HM Government
Her Majesty's Government gave a luncheon yesterday at Hampton Court Palace in honour of the Queen of Denmark and the Prince of Denmark.

Reception

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association United Kingdom
The Lord Chancellor and the Speaker, joint presidents with the members of the executive committee of the CPA, yesterday held a reception in Westminster Hall in honour of members of Overseas Legislatures attending the Commonwealth Parliamentary Visit to Britain.

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Dinners

Royal Academy of Arts
The Duke of Edinburgh was among the speakers at the annual dinner of the Royal Academy held at Burlington House last night.

Service dinners

Bake Tern RNC Dartmouth
To mark the 45th anniversary of joining the Royal Navy members of the Baker Tern RNC Dartmouth (1929 to 1932) dined together last night at the United Service and Royal Aero Club, Vice-Admiral Sir George Raper, Director General of the Royal Air Force, presided.

HON. MRS ARTHUR STRUTT

A friend writes:
The death of Mrs Strutt in her 91st year comes as a surprise. Born Baroness Irene de Brien of Dutch parentage she first married in 1904 Hon Cyril Ward, by her son she had three distinguished grandsons and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Dragon Club

The Dragon Club (former regular officers of The Buffs (Royal East Kent Regiment)) held a dinner last night at the Naval and Military Club, Whitehall, London, when Mr N. E. Hoare was in the chair.

AGNES MOOREHEAD

Agnes Moorehead, the American stage and screen actress of severe countenance whose career spanned nearly half a century, died on Tuesday at the age of 71 in recent years she had added a new dimension to her work playing the razor-tongued witch in the television series Bewitched.

SIR LESLIE ROBINSON

Mr M. T. Wilson writes:
Sir Leslie Robinson has been a member of the advisory council of the Export Credits Guarantee Department for the past five years and was its deputy chairman at the time of his death. He brought to the council a remarkable combination of experience and skills.

£50,000 Premium Bond prizewinner

Table listing winning numbers for £50,000 Premium Bonds, including columns for numbers and prizes.

Mr Donovan Richell, new director general of the British Library, Reference Division, looking down on his shelves with their thousands of volumes at the British Museum, yesterday, as he took up his post.



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Nature reserve to be set up at Balmoral
From a Staff Reporter
Edinburgh
More than 6,000 acres of the Queen's estate at Balmoral are to be established as a nature reserve, run in conjunction with the Scottish Wildlife Trust.

Today's engagements
The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron, attends the National Association of Round Tables of Great Britain and Ireland's pre-conference luncheon, Hilton Hotel, London, 12.45; visits the Armouries, Tower of London, and opens the new galleries, 3.15.

Science report
Space: Listening for signs of life
Two Canadian radio astronomers are about to begin a new search for intelligent life in the universe, using the 150ft diameter radio telescope at Jodrell Bank, Cheshire, to listen for signals from space.

THE TIMES BUSINESS NEWS

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Italian surcharge expected to affect nearly 45 pc of value of imports

From John Earle Rome, May 1. A nearly 45 per cent of the total value of Italian imports are expected to come under the emergency restrictions announced last night to counter the worsening balance of payments. The payments were estimated in February to have reached a deficit of 475,000m lire (£37m).

Two broking firms study possibility of merger

By Our Financial Staff Two medium-sized stockbroking firms, Vickers de Costa and Capel-Care, Carden, are having talks which may lead to a merger. The talks, which have been under way for three weeks, were prompted by a recent press advertisement by Capel for a suitable partner.

Thyssen 'looking at move into UK steel sector'

By Maurice Corina Industrial Editor There are rumours in the steel industry that the German steel giant August Thyssen-Hütte has been negotiating to buy its way into the private sector of special steel production and processing. A clarifying statement could be made shortly.

following its £84m takeover of its Ruhr-based rival Rhein Stahl. Two possible candidates are said to be Samuel Osborn and Dunford & Elliott, though in the former case Jessel Securities, which has been shaking up the private sector of British steel, has nearly 21 per cent of the ordinary share capital.

Eurobond trade rules proposed for dealers

By Christopher Wilkins Eurobond dealers from all over Europe and North America will be meeting in Amsterdam tomorrow to discuss some highly controversial proposals for the setting up of a new body of rules governing trading practice in Eurobonds.

US concerned that other countries may follow suit

From Our United States Economics Correspondent Washington, May 1. The United States Government was given no prior notification of the Italian decision to impose import surcharges and to raise the Italian tariff with immediate effect.

Saudis awaiting Kuwait decision, oil chief says

By Roger Vioyevoy Energy Correspondent Serious negotiations on Saudi Arabia's claim for increased participation in the concessions of the Arabian American Oil Co (Aramco) have not yet begun, Mr Ken Jamieson, chairman and chief executive of the Exxon Corporation, said yesterday.

British Leyland suffer first-half loss of £17m

By Maurice Barufather British Leyland's first half loss, predicted at the annual meeting in March by Lord Stokes, the chairman, turns out to be £16.6m, against a £22.8m profit for the same period last year.

IMF talks on gold role next week

From Frank Vogl Washington, May 1. The position of gold in the monetary system and the value of special drawing rights will be two big issues for the committee of 20 Deputies meeting in Paris from Tuesday to Thursday next week.

1p a pint on some beers

By Hugh Clayton The Price Commission has allowed a 1p increase in the price of some beer by 1p a pint later this month because of rising fuel and transport costs. The last rise was in January.

Strikes halt key component lines

By Clifford Webb The motor industry last night faced serious production losses and widespread layoffs as more strikes stopped component lines at a number of key suppliers.

Germany-Iran refinery project

Teheran, May 1.—West Germany and Iran have agreed to build a \$100-million refinery of 25 million tons capacity, on a 50-50 participation basis in Bushehr port on the Persian Gulf. It was announced in Teheran.

Wall Street gains 17 points

A late rally yesterday saw Wall Street end on a strong note. The Dow Jones industrial average surged 17.13 points to 853.88. Brokers said the rally was due to hopes of investors for an end to inflation and high interest rates.

MAPLE MACOWARDS Preliminary Statement of Results

Table with 2 columns: 1973-74 and 1972-73. Rows include Turnover, Profit before taxation, Taxation, Profit after taxation, and Earnings per share.

£1.75m order for machining line

A £1.75m machining line capable of building three entirely different engines for Japanese, Swedish and French cars is to be supplied to South Africa by Keane & Trecker Marwin, of Brighton.

BAC doubles pre-tax profits

The British Aircraft Corporation more than doubled its pre-tax profits last year to £13.74m against £6.57m, when they were the highest recorded since the group was founded in 1960.

How the markets moved

Table showing market movements for Rises, Falls, and Commodities. Includes items like Asst Port Cement, Nat Carbon, and Copper.

THE POUND

Table showing exchange rates for various countries including Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hongkong, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and US.

On other pages

Table listing other pages and their topics: Business appointments, Appointments vacant, Financial Editor, Financial news, Letters, Diary, Wall Street, Market reports, Share prices, Bank Base Rates Table, Company Meeting Reports, Bridon, British Aircraft Corporation, Co-operative Insurance Society, Corah, Fiat SpA, London City & Westcliff Properties, Preliminary Announcements, Foseco Minsap, Maple Macowards, J. Sainsbury, Interim Statement: British Leyland, Prospectus: Currier-Hammer, Inc, Company Notice: Imperial Cold Storage.

BRITISH LEYLAND MOTOR CORPORATION LIMITED

Results for the 6 months ended 31 March, 1974 (unaudited). Table with columns for First 6 months to March 1974 and March 1973. Rows include Sales-UK, Sales-Overseas, Total, and Earnings.

There were no extraordinary items this year and the items reported in last year's half year results were transferred to a deferred exchange account in the final accounts. The loss incurred in the first half of the year was due to production lost as a result of three-day working during the national emergency. Although the effect of the emergency continued to be felt after the end of March and the rate of cost inflation is severe, a profit should be made in the second half of the year as long as reasonable continuity of production is possible.



Protest over car repair estimates

By Clifford Webb
The motor repair trade yesterday threatened to charge for all estimates if insurers persist with the growing practice of requiring multiple estimates. Last month the repairers blamed the unrealistic attitude of insurance companies for a crisis in the industry. Nearly 40 firms have stopped repair work in the past five months because of mounting losses.

Yesterday the Vehicle Builders & Repairers' Association said: "Should multiple estimating become a standard practice it will obviously be necessary to start charging customers for the cost of estimating, and ultimately these charges will be reflected in higher insurance premiums."

The association pointed out

that a few policies already prevented the motorist from going to a repairer of his own choice. Where there was an open choice, motorists should resist pressures to spend their time and money visiting a number of premises. Second and third estimates should be necessary only where agreement could not be reached by the first visit.

The association says the interests of the insurance companies are already protected against overcharging by the use of insurance engineers who have to agree a price before work starts. The association fears that the safety of a car and its occupants may suffer through tampering with the lowest price. It insists that motorists generally do not have sufficient expertise to uncover dangerous short cuts in workmanship.

The statement continues: "It is part of the responsibility of the assessor to be as much concerned with the interests of the motorist as of the insurer. And he is usually a pretty hard bargainer when it comes to negotiating with repairers."

But last night motor insurance companies denied that multiple estimating was on the increase. A spokesman for the British Insurance Association said: "Insistence on more than one estimate is not a general practice. Nor is there any evidence that the few companies who do require more than one estimate are extending the practice."

"It seems to be fairly obvious that if insurers insist on duplicating estimates, then they will increase the overheads for repairers and no one will benefit."

Tory MPs seek help for small companies

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
Conservative MPs in the party's smaller business committee intend to press a series of amendments to the Finance Bill to help small companies who face the future with an acute shortage of working capital and the prospect of higher taxes and costs.

"We are particularly worried about the shortage of capital to which the Budget gives a vicious new twist," Mr David Mitchell, MP for Basingstoke and chairman of the committee, said yesterday.

Bolton Committee found that virtually by definition they finance themselves out of retained profits. They are not able to get finance from the institutions as the big companies do.

Mr Mitchell said the acute shortage of capital was caused by the effects of the three-day week, the fact that sharp increases in costs and prices owing to inflation meant that the money needed to finance the increased volume of business, and increased National Insurance contributions.

"Regrettably, against this background, the Chancellor decided to increase corporation tax to 47 per cent and 42 per cent for the smallest firms, and

to increase and bring forward the payment of advance corporation tax."

The MPs in the group will move amendments to relieve small firms of the proposed increases in the rates of corporation tax, and to lift the small firms corporation tax relief from profits up from the present £15,000 to £100,000. They consider the latter proposal logical since this is the size of business which can raise working capital from an institution.

The committee is concerned about the effects of inflation which adds to the "paper" profits as stock and work in progress increase in value, giving a "phony" appearance of increased profits. It also considers the actual increase in corporation tax liability. The committee's members are examining methods to avoid payment of tax on "profits" arising from the decline in money value.

There will also be an amendment to increase the amount allowed for tax purposes on lunch vouchers. Mr Mitchell pointed out that vouchers were now being introduced to help small companies which did not have canteen facilities. The tax allowance has not been raised for a long time and the Conservatives believe it should be brought up to date.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The CBI and management: a voice in the wilderness

From Mr R. T. Brent
Sir, You were kind enough to allow me to comment on Maurice Carina's previous article (April 5) on the Voice of the CBI. Having now read his report (April 24) on what happened at the Industrial Society Conference on February 26 et seq, I am now even more convinced that the CBI has no qualification to speak for professional managers, let alone on the subject of the repeal of the Industrial Relations Act.

In common with the majority of people in this country, most managers in industry saw the Industrial Relations Act as the order out of the appalling industrial jungle—a jungle which has grown up due largely to the immunity given by a series of Government Acts to the Trade Unions over the years and, in particular, the unbridled activity of the unions during the 1964-70 Labour Government. The Industrial Relations Act

may not be perfect but at least it signposted a way out of the jungle and certainly the CBI had no mandate from managers to recommend removal of those signposts without consultation with those who have to lead industry through it.

It is unfortunate for the professional managers that this signposting of doubt as to the expression of the CBI to represent them, some companies whose names are household words are also having similar doubts as to the eligibility of the CBI to represent them in this era of consensus Government. The latter being more newsworthy must, however, detract from the importance of the former and can only be resolved by some separate representation for professional managers.

Yours faithfully,
R. T. BRETT,
110 Haynes West End,
Haynes, Bedfordshire.

Cost of imports on our standard of living

From Mr G. B. Audley
Sir, During the days of Heath's administration, it frequently explained to us that our standard of living was falling down because the cost of our imports was rising rapidly than the price of our exports. We were able to charge for our exports, but not for our imports. I have wondered, and perhaps others have too, why this should be so? Why can we not push the prices of our exports at a similar rate to the increase in imports?

It is argued that we are constrained by the prices charged by our international competitors. I believe too much emphasis of this as a limiting factor. In any case, the argument does have much less force when one is dealing with unique products for which the competition is only indirect. For instance, the outstanding example of Scotch whisky, sold in Germany a bottle of Scotch can be bought for the price of five packets of cigarettes or three gallons of petrol. In the corresponding figures, seven packets and 2.5 gallons and in France eight and three.

In several European countries, Scotch costs only three times the price of a bottle of modest low wine. Expressed in these comparable terms the price charged for Scotch appears very reasonable.

I cannot believe that a German friend, for example, many of whom display a gratifying enthusiasm for Scotch, would buy much less of it if the price were 2 deutschmarks more than the teachings of Marshallian economics notwithstanding. This would enhance our foreign earnings from this particular source by 16 per cent—a worthwhile increase.

More generally, Sir, are we taking too timid a line on our export prices? Perhaps if we charged more this would enable us to improve quality, delivery and service thus bringing about increased business at better prices and to restore some of the erosion in our standard of living.

Yours faithfully,
BERNARD AUDLEY,
Chairman,
AGB Research,
40 Broadway, London,
SW1H 0BY,
April 29.

Misleading remarks on the CEI

From Dr David Fisher
Sir, For the information of your non-engineering readers who may have been misled by the contentious remarks concerning the Council of Engineering Institutions and the registration of professional engineers made recently by the Secretary of the Society of Engineers and others, may I point out that:

1. A significant number of members of the Society also belong to the constituent bodies of CEI.
2. Those members of the Society who are competent, and who wish to be registered can apply for membership of the appropriate constituent body.
3. Both the previous and the new proposals for the registration of professional engineers were now looking at the possibility of merging 10 million tons a year and bringing it all to the surface at one point.

Mr Ezra said the board's proposals for sitting the new Selby mine would be discussed with local authorities and other interested parties in the next four weeks.

Builders and flexible planning

From Mr F. Krivine
Sir, If unemployment in the building industry is going to be eased during the very difficult period facing the industry, planning authorities are going to have to demonstrate greater flexibility, and a directive from the Minister to this end would be both timely and constructive.

Most planning authorities are dealing with applications on a strictly first come first served basis. Apart from the fact that small conversions, or even the installation of a shop front may, as a result, have to wait their turn, month after month, while huge schemes are being processed, many applications are made by owners and would-be developers merely to establish the potential of a site with no intention of proceeding with the job once planning consents have been obtained.

Surely it must be reasonable to grant a builder or developer whose labour force is poised for action a measure of priority, particularly if the builder can show that undue delays will mean further stand-offs. A declaration from an applicant stating that the job will commence immediately upon receiving his consents, entitling him to speedy reaction on a priority basis could well prevent a serious unemployment situation from getting far worse.

Yours sincerely,
F. KRIVINE,
Gillhams Farm,
Gillhams Lane, Litchmere,
Haslemere, Surrey.

Complaining about Methven's law

From Mr H. Salkin
Sir, The result of Mr John Methven's consumer law will most certainly be a flood of unjustified complaints in shops and consequently prices will rise (somebody will have to pay for it).

As a shopkeeper who is also a member of the public Mr Methven wishes to protect. I have a complaint against this law. Mr Methven is the manufacturer of it. To whom do I complain? Yours faithfully,
H. SALKIN,
303 London Road,
Westcliff-on-Sea,
Essex.

Lunch vouchers

From Mr J. H. Carrick
Sir, Is it not true that the Inland Revenue tightened up the conditions under which lunch vouchers are issued, and that they are now up to a certain face value?

In a shopping queue on Saturday morning an elderly gentleman in front of me purchased a hock of bacon, over £2 and paid for it entirely with a thick bundle of LVs.

They appear to be used now for all manner of purchases, exactly the same way as cash, the original purpose of providing a *bona fide* meal having been largely abandoned.

Yours sincerely,
J. CARRICK,
31 Farham Drive,
Gants Hill,
Hford,
Essex.

Business appointments

Mr T. Kenny will chair Grimshaw Holdings

After discussion and agreement with the company's chief institutional investors, Grimshaw Holdings has invited Mr Thomas Kenny and Mr Ronald Hooker to become directors and they have accepted.

Mr T. Kenny, who recently took over the role of non-executive chairman on a temporary basis, has resigned as a director but will continue to assist the board in advisory capacity. Mr Kenny will take his place as chairman and Mr Hooker will be appointed deputy chairman.

Mr Samuel Goldman and Mr Vincent K. E. Gordon, executive directors of Orion Bank, have been appointed managing directors. Mr T. M. Bunnage, Mr A. B. Large, Mr A. J. Marshall and Mr M. J. Perry have joined the board as executive directors. Mr R. C. Ball, chairman of Orion Pacific, has also joined the executive board.

Mr Peter A. Butler joins the board of Wallace Brothers Saseona Bank as a director.

Mr A. R. Hendrick has become a joint managing director of W. W. Hall and Mr J. Aitken has become a director and will have executive responsibility for distribution. Mr R. W. Hall is relinquishing his executive position with the company to devote more time to directorial interests but will continue to be associated with the company as a non-executive director.

To facilitate making changes in executive appointments, Sir John Hunter has announced that while remaining chairman of the group he has relinquished the chairmanship. He is succeeded as chairman by Mr T. McIver, the present deputy chairman.

The following executive appointments have been made in the board: Mr J. E. Steele, deputy chairman, and Dr F. Taylor, development director, takes on in addition the duties of technical director.

Mr C. N. McQueen has retired as partner of Wood, Backhouse and Co. He will continue with the firm in the capacity of consultant and will remain a member of the Stock Exchange.

Mr Michael R. Leathers has been appointed as a director of Anglo-Continental Investment and Finance Co.

Mr D. P. S. McCarthy has resigned from the board of Attack Oil. Mr A. P. De Boer elected chairman.

Mr Bernard J. Smith has been appointed to the newly-created executive role of managing director of the building division of Wiltshire Group.

Mr Patrick DeLaurie has been named joint managing director of Datas Music Industries. Mr Paul Trent becomes United Kingdom sales director and Mr Brian Nunnery export sales director.

ICL investing in American computer group

International Computers (ICL) is to acquire a one-third interest in Computer Peripherals Inc. of Minneapolis, a jointly owned subsidiary of United States Data Corporation, Control Data Corporation and NCR.

A CPI research and manufacturing centre is to be established in Britain, which will supply computer peripheral units to the United Kingdom and Europe for all three of the parent companies.

ICL's move, which was denied by the company's chief executive first reported in Computer Digest last December, has been approved by the Bank of England and by the United States Justice Department. The investment is expected to cost about £30m (about \$38m).

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Manual workers in the petroleum industry, engineering and shipbuilding were the main groups which did not secure increases this year.

But since March increases in basic rates for more than 1.5 million engineering workers have been agreed and next week are expected to become effective for shipbuilding workers.

NCB sees yearly output of 20m tons from new mines

By Ronald Kershaw
The National Coal Board has announced that by 1985 about 20 million tons of coal a year will be produced by new collieries.

Most of it will come from a new mining complex at Selby, Yorkshire, but there are plans for other projects in the east Midlands, including parts of the Vale of Belvoir, which has some of Britain's most beautiful countryside.

The first two boreholes will be drilled this year, and a further three will be drilled over the next three years.

The results of drillings in the Vale of Belvoir will not be known until 1977. If they are encouraging, then further holes will be drilled north.

Information from borings will be gathered to present an overall picture before any decisions on new collieries are made.

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Container ships set for expansion

By Michael Bailly
World container operators are on the verge of a huge expansion programme costing up to £1,000m over the next five years. This was disclosed yesterday by Mr Ronnie Swayne, chairman of Overseas Containers, the biggest operator.

The largest portion, more than £400m, will go on containerization of the Europe-South Africa trade, some details of which have already been announced. Containerization of the Europe-New Zealand trade could cost another £200m, and Japan-New Zealand and Hong-Kong-Taiwan could account for another £100m or more each.

As to OCL's £150m-£200m share of the total Mr Swayne did not rule out the possibility of some coming to British yards, despite earlier unfortunate experiences.

Placing of orders in future would be largely governed by bankers' advice on likely currency movements.

Giving details for the first time on the performance of OCL (a jointly-owned subsidiary of P & O, Ocean Transport, British and Commonwealth and Furness Withy), Mr Swayne disclosed a turnaround from early losses of £2m-£4m a year, in its first three years from 1969 to 1971, to an operating profit of nearly £18m last year.

Tour operators face 'the most critical year'

More big losses and further major changes in the composition of the inclusive holiday industry were forecast yesterday by Mr W. H. Jones, managing director of Cosmos, one of the largest tour operators.

Mr Jones, who was presenting his company's latest winter holiday brochure, said the latest surveys indicated that the market for holidays abroad was down by 30 per cent. He described this as the "most critical year" the industry has ever faced.

However, he said, as far as the travelling public was concerned, there were now signs that the worst was over. A booking boom began as soon as the three-day week was ended and had been gathering momentum ever since.

Reorganization at National Carriers

A radical reorganization is being carried through in the state-owned National Carriers Limited parcels concerns following an unexpected deterioration in performance last year.

Its main feature—contrary to some prevailing trends—is to eliminate the seven areas which have exercised territorial control since NCL was first established as British Rail's sundries division in the mid-sixties, and replace them by 22 districts, each a separate profit centre with a turnover averaging £2m.

Instead of the fiscal elimination of a deficit reduced from over £20m to £4m in the four years to 1972, the 1973 report of the parent National Freight Corporation last month is expected to show a slightly higher loss for NCL on the year.

State shipbuilding scheme attacked as irrelevant

By Our Industrial Editor
Mr H. C. Robb, managing director of Robb Caledon Shipbuilders has criticized the Government's plan to nationalize the shipbuilding industry which, he says, is "quite unsuitable" for state ownership.

"Our market is so diverse and so international that it is difficult to take the world market problems would be solved if it were taken into state ownership which, whatever its other merits or demerits, seems unlikely to foster the individual effort and initiative which is needed to sell ships in the world market today," Mr Robb writes in the May issue of Lloyd's Shipbuilding Review.

In any case results of a poll of a cross-section of workers in the industry had shown clearly that most would rather work in the industry as it was now than under nationalized ownership.

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BRIDON

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The Annual General Meeting of Bridon Limited will be held on 23rd May 1974 in London.

Extracts from the Report and Accounts for 1973 and from Mr. Harry Smith's Statement to Shareholders.

1974 is the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Group and the forthcoming Annual General Meeting will be the first since the change of the Company name to Bridon Limited.

The change of name, which was approved by Shareholders in August, has been well received and British Ropes Limited continues as an Important Subsidiary Company of the Group controlling the manufacture of wire rope in the United Kingdom and Europe, as well as marketing internationally wire rope and marine fibre rope made in the United Kingdom.

In January the new organisation also came into operation. This changeover has taken place very smoothly and shows great promise for the future. I am convinced that both the change of name and the new organisation for the United Kingdom operations have important contributions to make to the next phase of the Group's developments.

Results

Group profit before taxation was £2.9m; as forecast in last year's Statement to Shareholders this was substantially higher than the previous record profit earned in 1970. Profits have increased in all sectors of activity when compared with the previous year due primarily to increased demand for our products throughout the world. However, United Kingdom profits were affected by shortages of labour and raw materials and by price controls, and are, generally speaking, lower in relation to turnover and capital employed than are group profits earned overseas.

The turnover and profits shown under the heading Associated Companies include for the first time figures for Rylands-Whitcross Limited following the acquisition in February 1973 of the wire and wire products activities of the British Steel Corporation.

1973 in Brief

	1973 £000	1972 £000
Turnover	315,277	275,447
Profit before Taxation and Extraordinary Items	69,992	69,936
Share of Profits of Associated Companies	43,341	27,514
	132,333	97,450
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Interest Payable	1,860	1,250
Share of Profits of Associated Companies	5,274	3,060
	3,636	2,389
	8,918	5,449
Profit after Taxation and before Extraordinary Items applicable to Ordinary Shareholders	4,417	2,953
Pence per share: Basic	11.46p	7.69p
Diluted	10.63p	—
	1.20p	1.47p
Ordinary Dividends		
Pence per share	3.38p	3.83p
Equivalent with inclusion of tax credits	4.96p	4.72p
Capital Employed		
Ordinary Shareholders Funds	37,039	33,675
Interest of Outside Shareholders in Subsidiaries	2,911	3,090
Long-Term Borrowing and Preference Capital	13,694	7,946
Amounts Set Aside	2,368	2,812
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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Assessing recovery prospects at BLMC



Mr John Sainsbury, chairman of J. Sainsbury's, volume growth at 8 per cent

At this stage, a pessimistic view of British Leyland is that it will do well to break even in the year to end September. Costs are rising and materials are short, the car market is still uncertain after the oil crisis and tighter credit is expected. The domestic market is not seen as the last of BLMC's internal labour problems now centred at Cowley.

But if BLMC's interim loss is really all due to the three-day week as repetition of the £5m interim dividend payment is meant to confirm, then it is reasonable to assume that BLMC's relative confidence about the second half is based on hopes that the increased penetration of the declining United Kingdom car market has some way to go, and that its new competitive range of economy and specialist models will continue to sell well overseas.

However, the prospect of nil earnings brings fears for the final dividend and a cut in last year's £3.7m net total dividend payout. And that takes an added short-term importance for the shares, which at 13p have considerable support from 15 per cent yield.

That is not to suggest that BLMC will be facing liquidity problems by the year-end, since it is well within its borrowing facilities. But if short-term profitability does not revive sufficiently, then it will need to seriously consider the rate of dividend in the context of having to finance its expansion programme, even though that may now be stretching over seven years.

Leyland's problems are not insoluble. But with the yield attraction now questionable, investors must at this stage begin to question BLMC's status as a long-term equity investment.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)
Capitalization £80m
Sales £74.1m (£75.9m)
Pre-tax profits £1.8m (£2.8m)
Dividend gross 0.7p (0.7p)
Profit

Mercantile Credit
Wounded by money costs
It was always clear that mushrooming borrowing costs were going to savage Mercantile's first-half profits, but a market still found a 55 per cent pre-tax setback hard to allow. It was probably yield considerations which allowed the shares to recoup an initial 10 to close unchanged at 43p.

The gross return, assuming an unchanged net distribution this year, is 10.5 per cent. This plus a likelihood of a much smaller back in the cash, could provide the shares with their more support than they could otherwise derive from values at around seven times last year's earnings as stated for a latest 12 months.

The poor performance so far this year is simply explained by 12 per cent rise to £28.1m in a cost of funds, only a third of an increase being attributable to volume growth. Although the variable rate element in Mercantile's loan portfolio has crept from a quarter to a third during the past couple of years, a further slice now written negotiable terms, it has still been committed to funding a substantial volume of low-rate finance taken up to a fall in the cost of raised funds.

Gradually this business is restoring average margins to a seriously limited by terms controls, deposit growth controls and all the other factors which have led to a fall in the volume of investment credit this year. For Mercantile, with

75 per cent of sales in the building and construction field are within the United Kingdom but only a small portion are dependent on the housing sector.

Overall, then, the 1974 outlook looks fairly promising and, as Fosco has traditionally enjoyed a premium rating in the market, there is no reason to suspect any potential weakness in the shares now selling on an historic p/e ratio of 10.6. The yield is 4.36 per cent.

Final: 1973 (1972)
Capitalization £48.5m
Sales £82.9m (£58.3m)
Pre-tax profits £9.66m (£7.2m)
Earnings per share 10.0p (8.5p)
Dividend gross 4.63p (4.41p)

J. Sainsbury
Justifying the premium rating
J. Sainsbury occupies the same status in the food retailing sector as Marks & Spencer does in its particular field. But whether the respective premiums both enjoy over their major quoted competitors, Tesco and British Home Stores, are altogether justified is now open to doubt.

Not that there is anything to cavil at in Sainsbury's results for the year to early March, which sales some 22 per cent ahead and an underlying volume growth of 3 per cent at constant prices. Profits increased by 19.6 per cent. Good buying in advance helped sharpen the competitive edge while retailing margins in the second part of the year at 5.66 per cent were below both the gross and net reference levels and, happily, not appreciably below the 5.82 per cent of the first 28 weeks.

The expectation is that sales this year should expand at the same rate, implying 1974/75 turnover of around £450m and pre-tax profits of around £16m at this stage of the game. At 12p, down 5p on the day, Sainsbury is selling at 151 times earnings with a prospective p/e ratio of just under 13. That fact is now selling at nine times its probable 1973/74 earnings creates scope for adjustment in the relative ratings but then this is largely a question of image.

Final: 1973/74 (1972/73)
Capitalization £98.4m
Sales £362m (£297m)
Pre-tax profits £13.62m (£11.39m)
Earnings per share 7.86p (8.52p)
Dividend gross 5.86p (—)
*Not comparable

Maple Macowards
A changing climate
The plunge in Maple Macowards' share price from 91p to one point last year to only 21p a month ago is a clear enough indication of how the stock market feels about the retailing and property sectors. Until property prices started to crumble last November, the group's Tottenham Court Road site could be counted a useful prop to the share price. Today it is another matter and, on the retailing front, the programme for a steady expansion of new space now faces a difficult climate for consumer spending as well as margin control. A p/e ratio of 12.3 at 37p is probably less relevant, however, for the share price in the short term than the fact that price has already bounced 76 per cent off the bottom in the space of only a month—a volatile performance which underlines the speculative nature of the shares.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)
Capitalization £10.2m
Sales £27.5m (£21.8m)
Pre-tax profits £1.35m (£1.28m)
Earnings per share 3.0p (4.4p)
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Until Monday, it seemed likely that this action would take the form of an interim declaration in which each of the major trading groups would promise not to introduce measures which might restrict trade.

It is the feeling that the world was close to making such a declaration which explains the obvious pique expressed by American officials in Washington, who have seen the scheme to pledge no further trade barriers dealt a severe blow before it has even been agreed to formally.

Although the United Kingdom has already made a firm declaration that it does not intend to follow the Italian example, the trading world is a more unstable place today as a result of the Italian move.

Italy's decision to impose an import deposit scheme has dealt a double-blow to free trade. At the European level, it once again administers a damaging body blow to the whole concept of the European Community, which already has troubles enough to deal with.

And on the international scene, it calls into question the hopes that the world's major trading nations will be able to deal with the problems which they are facing without resorting to protectionism.

In all of the trouble and turmoil which has affected the European Economic Community in the past few years, at least one hopeful sign has seemed constant. However much dispute there might be among the Six or Nine members about how far and how fast the Community was to progress towards new forms of integration, the basic concept of a common market in industrial goods without tariffs between member states was unquestioned.

Some firm believers in European unification might regret that the Community showed little sign of becoming anything more than a customs union; but it was generally recognized that even that, with the huge increase in trade which it brought, was a major step forward, and one whose advantages were so great as to be irreversible.

The battle over prices of household necessities

Round One to Mrs Williams

Mrs Shirley Williams has won the first round of her battle with retailers, but only by braving Clause Two of the Prices Bill at them. This would allow her to issue an Order to regulate the prices to be charged for the sale of food of any description specified in the Order and for the sale of such other goods as may be specified in its terms.

Mr Richard Branton, managing director of the company, is a member of the distributary working group of the Confederation of British Industry. The group has been in the forefront of talks about the controls.

The talks have been extremely businesslike, with each side emerging increasingly to announce that it has at last, and not without some difficulty, persuaded the other to see sense. Each has made substantial concessions and neither has been without differences within its ranks.

After early resistance, grocers have accepted that their gross profit ceilings will be cut by a tenth. Mrs Williams, who, within hours of taking office, announced the Conservatives' encouragement of "shopping around", has made it implicit in her controls.

Bacon and fish fingered necessities that loom large in the shopping bills of low-income families. But no shop will be obliged to cut back the prices of both at once. A shop selling cut-price batteries will not be expected to offer cheap bulbs as well, while a shop which is not expected to do so simultaneously on detergents.

The Government's stock reply to the charge that its actions must entail "shopping around", namely that competitive pressure will force down prices of Category B and C goods everywhere, is inadmissible. It presupposes that shops invariably follow each other's special offers. This is clearly not the case.

Mrs Williams has taken a more pragmatic view of the chances of securing uniform price cuts than have some of the visionaries in her Department. Hence the creation of categories B and C.

The hawks have pressed for inclusion of some B and C lines in Category A, the repository of items which would be subject to regular promotions on the basis that a given number of the list would be on offer at any one time.

claims that the consortium speaks only for supermarkets and department stores, has also been in on the act. Although it has not been allowed to meet Mrs Williams, it has been given the all-important secret list of Categories A, B and C.

Lord Redmayne, chairman of the consortium, is credited among non-food retailers with positively wizard-like powers of extraction of political concessions. But a new luminary is rising in the consortium's food group in the form of Mr Colin Callimore, managing director of the Debenhams chain of butcher's shops.

A star of less outward lustre but growing influence behind the scenes has emerged in the CBI. This is Mr Stewart Whitmore, managing director of the Mace voluntary chain of grocers. The selective promotion of groceries to ensure that Mrs Williams's household necessities could be bought cheaply in some shops all the time was his idea.

The food retailers in the CBI have had rather more recent success than those in the consortium in persuading governments and their agencies to accept their ideas. A detailed plan for holding down food prices was put to Sir Geoffrey Howe more than six months ago by Mr Michael Reynolds, managing director of Spar Vivo and a member of the CBI distributors' working group.

The consortium dissuaded Sir Geoffrey, then Minister for Trade and Consumer Affairs, from operating the plan. A total of 16 of the 20 lines on the Reynolds list appear among the 34 that together make up Mrs Williams's Categories A, B and C.

The food men in the consortium have persuaded the Government to stop net profits being drastically cut by the curb on gross profit ceilings, but only after failing to persuade the Price Commission to mitigate the cut in gross.

All negotiating parties in the food industry agree on one thing: that Mrs Williams is herself an exceptionally adroit and firm negotiator. Those who assumed at first that she would be little more than a Labour version of Mrs Peggy Fenner soon revised their views. As one food industry leader put it: "She is a very tough lady indeed."

Although most of her activity in her first two months has been concerned with prices, she has not lost sight of broader consumerist objectives. Once the price-pegging plan is in action she hopes somehow to link it to the broader consumer services that the Government foresees.

She has been greatly impressed by comparable operations elsewhere in the EEC in which a list of a town's special grocery offers and where to find them can be acquired through a single telephone call to the local authority.

Hugh Clayton

Business Diary: Palace resolution • No swansong

is over 18 months ago now as Matthews, Holdings, the chery and catering group led by Ray Bloye, ventured on the football industry by raising a 51 per cent stake in the First Division club Crystal Palace.

The deal, which cost the up £37,000, ran into strong criticism, with the result that Crystal Palace chairman purchased the club his private interests. City dents of 1968 form are useless, relieved following the Palace's dramatic return to the Third Division on Monday night, but Bloye seems determined that ever that the Holdings should reacquire its stake in the club.

here are plans for the group merge with another medium food distribution chain in near future and Bloye is keenly hoping that the acquisition of Palace's 51 per cent stake in the club will be better borne by a combination. Given Palace's from the First to the Third Division since the original deal, it is interesting to see at this price the stake changes hands.

subsidiary board seats and having special responsibility for the group's overseas activities. As for the doctory Sir John, he says all it means to him is that he is spared a few ship-building board meetings. But as executive chairman of the group he'll still be very much there in spirit.

Rival Teamsters
Aldrian Karmel, a Whitechapel-born official of the Canadian Chapter of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, is back in the old country as part of the Teamsters' counter-offensive to recent European initiatives by Cesar Chavez's United Farm Workers of America. Chavez has attracted much publicity outside the United States for his campaign to unionize and protect migrant farmworkers in the American Southwest, and his idea has been in Europe asking for all

California farm produce not bearing UAW's Aztec eagle symbol to be banned from progressive table-top. Karmel, on the other hand, is here arguing that the Teamsters are not just a truck drivers' union but the true representative of the American farmworker. He says that the Teamsters have been organizing farmworkers longer, have 35,000 farmworker members to Chavez's 2,000, and many more agreements with producers.

The choice of Wellington and the Iron Duke, that is, the present one—is fast becoming the money symbol of our age. First of all he crops up on the back of "fivers" and now the National Savings Committee has borrowed his name to launch a new campaign to promote National Savings Bank investment accounts.

The "Wellington" campaign had a suitably martial start-off yesterday when Sir Robert Bollinger, chairman of the National Savings Committee, handed over a field marshal's baton to Lord Epsicham, chairman of the City of London Savings Committee.

Swings and... The long-drawn out struggles at J. H. Vasseur are having repercussions on the staff. As the new management triumvirate of Sir Ian Morrow, Clive Hollick and David Probert steps in, key divisional executives are leaving by the door.

Hardest hit appears to be the First Investors Financial Services, the company which helped pioneer the concept of comprehensive financial advice tax, investment, estate, insurance, etc.—for private individuals.

Two of the original team, barister Bunny Aziz and accountant Michael Fisher, are to leave at the end of the month to take up similar appointments with rival organization Saunierz Carey and Harris. They are taking three of their assistants with them and it is likely they could be followed by one or two others.



Hollowood

"Was it a butter mountain they went up or a beef mountain?"

aimed displeasure at Tony Benn's nationalizing ways. National it may, but according to Sir John himself—who, of course, remains the group chairman—it would also be wrong. He told Business Diary in Wakefield yesterday that he was heading over the chairmanship to group managing director Tom Mciver merely to make way for the promotion of a clutch of bright young things. These would be technical director, who becomes Mciver's deputy in the shipbuilding division; Peter Milne, who steps up from deputy to managing director; and Fred Taylor, development director, who will also take on the care of technical director. The key to Sir John's move appears to have been the need to fill the managing directorship, vacant since New Year, when Reg Gibson retired, which in Swan Hunter terms means keeping his main board and some

BRITISH AIRCRAFT CORPORATION

Summary of Financial Results—1973

	1973	1972
	£	£
SALES—United Kingdom	82,274,000	86,653,000
—Export	92,085,000	66,677,000
	174,359,000	153,330,000
NET PROFIT—before Taxation	13,742,000	6,571,000
—after Taxation	5,873,000	3,757,000
DIVIDEND	2,500,000	1,700,000
EARNINGS PER SHARE	29.2p	18.8p

Extracts from the Report of the Directors:

"The balance of orders in hand at the end of the year stood at £636,000,000 of which over £400,000,000 was for export, mainly in military products and related services."

"The profit for the year is the highest recorded in the history of the Group since its formation in 1960 and it is noteworthy that the greater part of the increase in trading profits in 1973 has been derived from the higher volume of exports."

"With their high technological content and modest reliance on imported materials, the export of the Group's products is making a particularly valuable contribution to the solution of the financial problems now facing the country."

"The improved financial position and expanding order book are expected to lead to a significant increase in expenditure on plant and buildings during 1974 and 197

CO-OPERATIVE INSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED

INCREASED BONUSES TO C.I.S. POLICYHOLDERS

At the 106th Annual General Meeting of the Co-operative Insurance Society Limited held in Manchester on 1st May 1974...

ried off by our professional staff. In addition, account was taken of the capital gains tax liability that would arise on a realisation at those values...

1973, we have to bear in mind the effect on our account of the high rate of inflation which is widely expected over the coming year...

FINANCIAL NEWS

Surplus Arab revenues 'could endanger monetary stability'

By Anthony Rowley Surplus oil revenues in the Arab world will begin to reach acute proportions this year and could cause serious international monetary instability...

Stock markets

North Sea issues attract buyers

The stock market responded favourably yesterday to the Bank of England's statement on money supply. Renewed buying of gilt-edged stocks gave encouragement to the equity market...

Interest rate hopes helped properties, where E. Stanley Investment Trust soared from 244p to 270p on sudden rumours of a statement from the Monopolies Commission on the Eagle Star proposal.

Oil shares were quiet. Gold shares staged a cautious recovery from the losses of recent days. The gilt-edged market continued this week's strong advance...

Latest dividends

Table with 4 columns: Company, Dividend, Yield, and Date. Lists dividends for various companies like Anglo-Siam, Anglo-Thai, Anglo-Tanzania, etc.

Alfred Herbert borrowing proposal runs into strong shareholder opposition

Alfred Herbert is facing strong opposition in its attempt to win the approval of preference shareholders for a scheme which would enable the troubled machine tool manufacturer to double the limit on its secured borrowings.

Smith & Neph offer 131.5p for rest of Gala

In an agreed deal, Smith & Neph Associated Companies is to make unconditional offer to acquire the outstanding ordinary of Gala Cosmetics Group, other than the 6.12 per cent already owned...

Briefly

- List of brief financial news items: OK BAZAARS (1929), OVENSTONE INVESTMENTS, SUTTS, CORINTHIAN HOLDINGS, ROWTON HOTELS, SPINK & SON, etc.

Recovery gains pace at British Steel Construction

Losses at British Steel Construction (Birmingham) have been cut from £1.04m to £699,000 for 1972-73, and the first half of the current term has brought a small overall profit for the first time for some years.

FIAT S.p.A. TURIN, ITALY

Annual General Meeting The Annual General Meeting of Fiat shareholders took place in Turin on 26th April. In his report the chairman, Giovanni Agnelli, defended the fundamental role of Fiat as the principal instrument of mobility...

AUSTRALIA U.K. investors with Property in Australia

An opportunity to improve your investment return.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Results

Dunbee-Combex optimistic after 53 pc leap

Another strong performance by the Dunbee-Combex group has taken it to a record pre-tax profit of £2m for 1973 - a 53 per cent rise. Turnover went ahead from £16.6m to £21.7m, while an attributable profit of £1.34m, against £840,000, the board is increasing the dividend from 2.5p to 3.5p. Earnings a share come out at 18.6p, against 12.1p.

Wilson (Connolly)

Declaring that prospects for the house-building industry appear "more promising than for many years", Wilson (Connolly) Holdings reports 1973 taxable profits up 10.2 per cent to £1.36m on turnover 26 per cent better at £7.2m. The "net" however, was down from £776,000 to £667,000. The total payment goes up from 2.41p to 2.53p. Mr. J. A. Levey, chairman, points out that profits have been achieved after writing down the group's housing land to reflect current prices. Net

Mining

Flooding halts Nchanga output

Flooding, the cause of which is not yet known, has stopped production at Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines' lead and zinc mine at Broken Hill. Water has flooded the winding chambers at the 1,500ft level, putting the pumps out of action and has now reached the 1,300ft level. Broken Hill produces 56,000 tonnes of zinc and 23,000 tonnes of lead annually. As yesterday was a public holiday in Zambia,

CORAH LIMITED

Statement by the Chairman, Mr. Nicholas Corah, at the Annual General Meeting held yesterday in Leicester.

Results for the Year Sales were £22,344,000 compared with £19,632,000, an increase of 13.7% over the past year. Profit before taxation amounted to £2,011,000 against £1,620,000. This is 24.4% up on 1972 and indicates the growing efficiency of the business. Your Directors recommend a final net dividend of 1.23 pence per share making a total net distribution of 2.165 pence per share for the year. This is an increase of 5% over 1972 and is the maximum permitted within Government policy on the distribution of dividends.

Policy of Expansion During the past year we have spent £227,000 after taxation relief on the work necessary to further develop our garment making factories at Barnsley, Brigg, Bolton-on-Dever and Leicester. This will considerably increase the productivity of these four areas in coming years. We are now beginning to use the vacant space which became available for expansion during the reorganisation of 1970/71.

We are committed to substantial capital expenditure during the coming year mainly due to the construction of our new factory in Canada. Our plans are illustrated in greater detail elsewhere in this Report. This venture is primarily intended to support the enterprise of our friends at Marks and Spencer Limited who are developing in that country. Because the Canadian factory will be supplied with fabric from Leicester it will provide extra career opportunities for our people in England. Exports from the United Kingdom will be increased and additional profit will be earned overseas. This additional factory will open in the summer of 1974 but will not have any impact on profit or turnover until 1975.

The Coming Year The year opened in a state of emergency never previously seen in these islands since time of war. The astonishing difficulties with which the industry has been confronted - shortages of raw materials, restrictions on essential energy, the high interest rates on bank-borrowing - creates a situation which could not have been envisaged two years ago. It is against this background that we continue to express confidence in the coming year providing that the vital raw materials and energy are once again restored to us without them the industrialists has nothing.

We have taken the opportunity at a time of boom living 1973 to pave the way for further expansion and we are securing the order book by bringing this expansion about. We had installed generators in the prime areas of our Company with the result that we have been able to maintain production at a high level. Given an early end to the national emergency we are confident that production, sales and profit will continue to expand.

Human Relations new wages system The national emergency coincided with a wage award to the people in Corah, which strictly conformed to the provision of Government legislation. It is against this background that we continue to express confidence in the coming year providing that the vital raw materials and energy are once again restored to us without them the industrialists has nothing.

McLeod Russel Announcing its interim report for the year ended 31st December 1973 an overall increase in crop of about 31% over 1972 (6 per cent), McLeod Russel & Co also gives news that the proposed offer (announced in November) for Teich Holdings and three other companies associated with James Finlay & Co. has been withdrawn and discussions terminated. Higher sales prices should ensure a substantial improvement in tea profits but at home overall profits will be less than had been hoped for, though the steel stockholding side will earn a good profit.

George Wills & Sons Merchant and confining house George Wills & Sons (Holdings) has another record year in 1973 with pre-tax profits more than doubled from £907,000 to £661,000, and per-share earnings rising from an adjusted 6.4p to 12.74p. Coupled with a proposed one-for-two merger with the Philip Wills, chairman, that this "remarkable upsurge" has continued into 1974. The dividend rises from an adjusted 2.2p to 2.42p.

Geo G. Sandeman The substantial increase in profits forecast for last year by Geo G. Sandeman, the pure and dry group, turns out to be a jump of 82 per cent to a record £2.3m pre-tax. Turnover was £12.1m (1972 £10.5m). This excludes an extraordinary credit of £739,000 (£56,000 debit). Earnings a share rose from 8.64p to 16.07p, while the total dividend is raised from 2.87p to 3.11p with an option of receiving shares in place of the final.

Farnell Electronics On sales up from £8.9m to £12m, pre-tax profits have reached a new peak of £1.28m, against £710,000 in 1972. The company's full details are not yet available and it will take a few days before the full implications are assessed.

Sallies drilling Bearing out the remarks made at the Anglo American Corporation annual report earlier this week, when it was stated that drilling results on areas well outside the existing gold-bearing areas were disappointing, Mr. D. A. Edmonds, chairman of the South African Land & Exploration Co. annual meeting, that while "Sallies" had imperial rights spread over the whole of the Transvaal, these "did not" present an appetizing possibility for misadventurers. While some prospects had remote base metal or gold potential, the drilling costs cannot be supported at the present time.

Ampol price warning The \$41.97 per barrel which Ampol Petroleum received in the six months to end March is clearly inadequate to enable the company to continue paying dividends and to maintain exploration in future, Mr. W. M. Leonard, chairman, says in his interim report.

This view bears out that already forcibly expressed by Broken Hill Proprietary on the increasing necessity of the Australian government to adopt a realistic pricing policy towards domestic crude oil.

maintain an effective but simpler control of production. Sicklees payments At the same time a Sicklees Pay Scheme has been introduced for we have always felt that if people are deprived of work through genuine illness it is improper to see them deprived of their wages. It has not been our intention to replace the National Insurance Scheme but simply to complement it so that Corah people when ill would not be faced with hardship. We feel certain that this step is welcomed by everyone in the Company.

Pensions Pensions are now available for everyone in the Company. There is however one group of retired personnel who rely entirely on the Company to enhance their State pension by a weekly sum of £1.00. Such arrangements are of a modest nature and paid at the discretion of the Board.

We are now seeking ways of enhancing these modest pensions and placing them on a formal basis by funding through an Insurance Company. Social activities For many years the Company has maintained a Sports Ground in Leicester which is not used by so many people as in the past, for the needs of people change and a Sports Ground is no longer in step with current thinking on leisure activities. It is with this in mind that in 1975 we are planning to erect a Country Club on the Sports Ground in Leicester which will provide modern facilities for leisure to all Corah people and their relatives and of course to those who have retired. Our plans are detailed on a separate page of this Report. We believe that this new concept will be much utilised and enjoyed and is another step forward in human relations within our Company. It is planned to hold the Annual General Meeting of another year in the Country Club so that Shareholders may see this improved facility for themselves.

Company Reserves Our properties were last valued in 1970 and since that time, much upgrading of our premises has taken place and the market value of land and industrial property has also appreciated. We therefore considered it prudent to revise our properties and the valuation stated November 1973 resulted in a surplus over book-value of £892,000. This amount, subject to deferred tax of £331,000, will be added to the Reserves of the Company. Our total Reserves now stand at £4,312,000 compared with £3,487,800 a year ago.

Tribute My colleagues and I pay tribute to all members of the Company for their magnificent response at this time of national emergency and for their enthusiasm and endeavour throughout the past year. We thank them for their dedication and hard work. We continue to be a principal supplier of Marks and Spencer Limited and have considerable pride in supporting their Canadian venture. We continue to seek new methods and techniques to progress our Company and at the same time to strengthen human relations and give greater security and a better environment to all Corah people. The National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers have given us wise guidance and counsel in all that we are striving to achieve. Finally we acknowledge the tremendous support and close co-operation which we have received from our Suppliers in a year when raw material costs have risen dramatically and in recent months when energy has been in short supply; their ingenuity and understanding have proved invaluable.

G. N. CORAH Chairman Copies of the Directors' Report and Accounts for 1973 may be obtained from the Secretary, P.O. Box 122, LEICESTER LE1 0SP, £5.75.

Issues & Loans

Cutler-Hammer for London

Cutler-Hammer, the American electrical and electronics company, has obtained a listing on the London Stock Exchange and has also revealed a reorganisation of its European operations. Last year overseas sales accounted for about 13 per cent of the group total, of which the United Kingdom accounted for about half. The main United Kingdom operation, Brookhurst

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

Table with columns for currency (e.g., \$ STRAIGHT), amount, and price. Includes entries for American Motors, IBM, and various Eurobonds.

Wall Street

New York, May 1.—Stocks on the New York stock exchange rallied strongly late in today's session with brokers citing hope for an inflation rate of 6 per cent and interest rates as a market stimulant.

The Dow Jones Industrial average surged to 83.88, its highest level since April 15. It was ahead more than 20 points

Table of stock prices for various companies including Allied Chem., Am. Electric, and Safeway.

Table of Canadian stock prices including Albitol, Alg. Steel, and Bell Tel.

Table of British stock prices including Anglo-Siam, Anglo-Siam, and Anglo-Siam.

Table of various international stock prices including Anglo-Siam, Anglo-Siam, and Anglo-Siam.

Cotton's steep loss New York, May 1.—COTTON futures closed with a loss of 20 cents to 45.75 cents, the lowest since May 1973. The loss was due to a report that the United States government had decided to increase its cotton stockpile.

FOSECO MINSEP Record sales and profit - worldwide growth continues

Key points from the Chairman's Statement * 34% increase in pre-tax profit to £9,657,000 (1972 - £7,197,000). * 77% of Group sales made outside the United Kingdom.

* Fosroc metallurgical sector sales over £65 million, of which 90% were outside the U.K. * Fosroc building and construction sector doubled trading profit.

* "... your company is better placed than many to ride out any storms and we look forward to the future with confidence."

Summary of Results for year ended 31st December 1973 and 1972. Columns for Sales outside the Group, Profit before tax, Tax, etc.

Foseco Minsep manufactures and supplies specialised products and services principally to the metallurgical, building and construction industries and for water treatment. The Group has operating companies in 22 countries and sells in over 100.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available after 3rd June from the Secretary, Foseco Minsep Limited, 36 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AR. (01-839 7030).



Cutler-Hammer, Inc.

SHARE CAPITAL Authorized 10,000,000 Shares of Common Stock par value \$5.00 each

2,000,000 shares of preferred stock without par value have been authorised but not issued

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Cazenove & Co. 12 Tokenhouse Yard, London EC2R 7AN

LONDON CITY & WESTCLIFF PROPERTIES LIMITED

Rental Income Exceeds £4 Million * Gross Rental Income increased by 24% to £4,025,052. * Profits available for distribution increased by 25% to £1,584,799.

Table of financial data for London City & Westcliff Properties Limited, including Gross Rental Income, Profit before tax, and Share Capital.

MARKET REPORTS

Foreign Exchange

Moderate advance by dollar
The dollar advanced moderately in a quiet currency session yesterday...

The Times Share Indices

Table showing share indices for various sectors like FTSE 100, Industrial, and others.

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Table showing money market rates for various currencies and terms.

Spot Position of Sterling

Table showing spot position of sterling against various currencies.

Forward Levels

Table showing forward levels for various currencies.

Commodities

COPPER was subdued by unimpressive demand...
WHEAT prices were firm...

Copper producers to meet in Zambia

Mining ministers from Chile, Peru, Zambia and Zimbabwe will hold their annual meeting...

Money Rates

The supply of fresh funds tended to run a surplus in the discount market yesterday...

Recent Issues

Table listing recent issues of various companies.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Table listing authorized units, insurance, and offshore funds.

Bank Base Rates

Table showing bank base rates for various banks.

THE IMPERIAL COLD STORAGE AND SPLY COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting
The Board of Directors on 30th April 1974, declared an interim dividend...

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For sale, Partnership in leading West End Camera shop...

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London and Regional Market Prices

Further gains

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, April 29 Dealings End, May 10 Contango Day, May 13 Settlement Day, May 21 Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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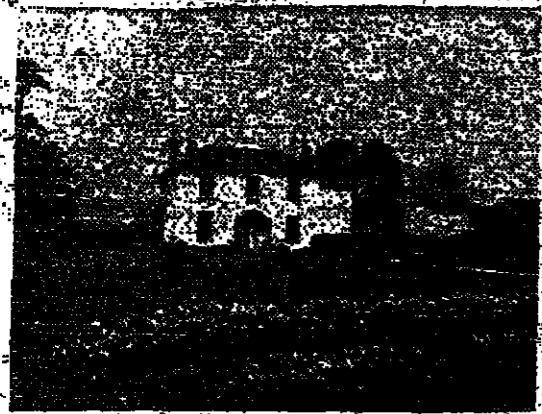
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A beautifully restored 17th Century House. Completely rural with fine views. Inglenook fireplaces and many exposed beams. Lounge/hall, 2 large reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, cloakroom, 6 bedrooms, dressing room, 2 bathrooms, sun balcony and patio. Full Oil-fired Central Heating. Double Garage and outbuildings. Garden and grounds. 2 ACRES. Paddock (optional).
PRIVATE TREATY
NEWMARKET OFFICE (0638) 2231

SOME AGRICULTURAL LAND



NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 436 ACRES
BLAKESLEY
A productive farm in well known agricultural area, pleasant farmhouse, two cottages, modern farm buildings.
PRIVATE TREATY
Joint Agents: SAVILLS, 20 Grosvenor Hill, London W1X 0HQ
NORTHAMPTON OFFICE (0604) 32991

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 132 ACRES
GAYTON
Free working arable and well watered Pasture Land with good road frontages. At present let to two tenants at £754 p.a. subject to rent review.
For Sale in one or two lots.
PRIVATE TREATY
NORTHAMPTON OFFICE (0604) 32991

HERTFORDSHIRE 427 ACRES
ALBURY LODGE, MUCH HADHAM
A first rate commercial farm. Principal Residence with 3 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 5 cottages.
AUCTION (unless sold) 27th JUNE
LONDON OFFICE 01-499 6291



NORTHANTS/BUCKS 11 ACRES
PLUM PARK, PAULERSPURY
Attractive Residential Property on high ground with fine views. Lounge hall, 3 reception rooms, 7 main bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, 4 secondary bedrooms. Domestic Offices. Main electricity and drainage. Central Heating. Garage. 8 Loose Boxes. Charming Grounds. 2 Paddocks.
AUCTION—Date to be announced
NORTHAMPTON OFFICE (0604) 32991

ESSEX
NEAR ELSENHAM
3 1/2 ACRES
BUILDING LAND
Planning consent for houses.
PRIVATE TREATY LONDON OFFICE 01-499 6291

KENT
NEAR CANTERBURY
17 1/2 ACRES
Turn of the Century House in a beautiful wooded valley. 3 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, Paddock and woodland.
PRIVATE TREATY LONDON OFFICE 01-499 6291

OXFORDSHIRE
NEAR THAME
55 ACRES
Country House in Cotswolds style with Georgian origins. Stabling, Groom's Cottage. With possible 1/2 mile gallop.
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 3 ACRES
THE OLD RECTORY, PEAKIRK
Fine Georgian Residence in well-timbered grounds. Halls, 3 reception rooms, domestic offices, 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Service Wing of lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. Central Heating. Main Services. Swimming Pool. Hard Tennis Court. Stabling and Garages.
PRIVATE TREATY
Joint Agents: FOX, VERGETTE & RICHARDSONS 16 Priestgate, Peterborough.
NORTHAMPTON OFFICE (0604) 32991

WEST SUSSEX
WEST ASHLING
An interesting single storey Residence. Hall and cloakroom, fine drawing room, study and dining room, 4 to 6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms. Medium sized garden. Very near the Mill Pond.
PRIVATE TREATY
CHICHESTER OFFICE (0243) 86316

SUSSEX
SOUTH OF MIDHURST
Two attractive architect designed detached Bungalows, on the edge of a popular downland village enjoying superb views. 3 bedrooms, oil-fired central heating, charming gardens of about 1/2 an ACRE.
PRIVATE TREATY
MIDHURST OFFICE (073081) 2357

WILTSHIRE 17 ACRES
Preliminary Announcement.
BAYNTON HOUSE, NEAR WESTBURY
Superb Georgian Manor House with Staff Cottages and Lodge. Magnificent Grounds including Lakes, Tennis Court, Squash Court.
AUCTION (unless sold) IN JULY
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CIRENCESTER OFFICE (0285) 3334

KENT
SEVENOAKS
A most appealing town house, in the area known as the Vine, principally dating from the 18th Century. 3 reception rooms, 5 bedrooms, walled garden.
PRIVATE TREATY LONDON OFFICE 01-499 6291

WEST SUSSEX
OLD BOSHAM
Very near the Water. A fine Georgian House. Dining reception hall, drawing room and garden room. Fine kitchen, principal suite, 4 further bedrooms, laundry, greenhouses and garages. A pleasing walled garden with swimming pool.
PRIVATE TREATY
CHICHESTER OFFICE (0243) 86316



WILTSHIRE
CHINA COTTAGE, VALE OF PEWSEY
3 reception rooms, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Pair of Cottages.
AUCTION (unless sold) 14 JUNE as a whole or in lots.
Joint Auctioneers: JOHN WALLIS (06728) 3265
LONDON OFFICE 01-499 6291

WEST SUSSEX/HAMPSHIRE
MILE END HOUSE, WESTBOURNE
On the outskirts of an interesting Village. Very near the sailing centres. A Georgian House with additions, hall, 3 reception rooms, modern kitchen, principal and guest suites. 3 other bedrooms. Adequate garaging. Hard tennis court.
AUCTION (unless sold) SUMMER
CHICHESTER OFFICE (0243) 86316



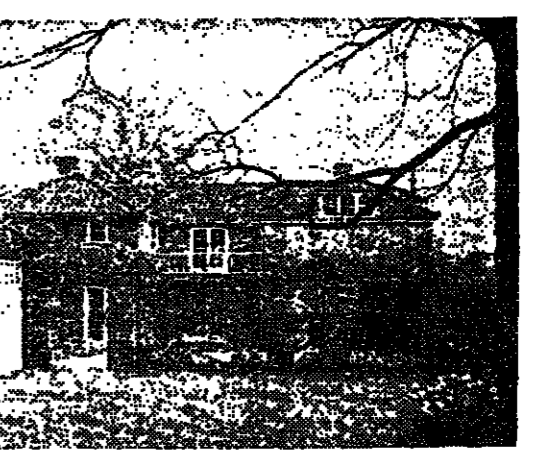
WEST SUSSEX
DOWNLANDS HOUSE, COCKING
6 1/2 ACRES
Formerly an old Sussex Farmhouse affording absolute seclusion. Thoroughly modernised. Hall, cloakroom, 4 reception rooms, domestic offices, 5 Bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Staff cottage, treble garage, studio, courtyard and barn. A fine old lime barn with magnificent swimming pool.
AUCTION (unless sold) IN EARLY SUMMER
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WILTSHIRE 28 ACRES
3 MILES EAST OF CHIPPENHAM
Charming Period Mill House with stabling and land. 3 reception rooms, cloakroom, 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Oil-fired central heating. Stabling (4 loose boxes etc). Double garage. Fodder barn. Attractive old Mill converted to playroom/studio. Pleasant garden. Excellent pasture paddocks.
PRIVATE TREATY
Joint Agents: D. WARD & SON, RAMSBURY (06722) 330
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GLOUCESTERSHIRE
ABOUT 1 MILE NORTH OF CIRENCESTER
Elegant Detached House built about 7 years ago on elevated site. 2/3 reception rooms, 2/3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Garaging for 4 cars. Excellent garden.
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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
WOODFORD LODGE, WOODFORD HALSE
An Attractive Country Residence comprising of hall, 3 reception rooms, 7 bedrooms, dressing room, kitchen, cloakroom, 3 bathrooms. Conservatory. Garaging. Summerhouse. Full central heating. 0.81 ACRE.
AUCTION (unless sold) 29th MAY
NORTHAMPTON OFFICE (0604) 32991



WARWICKSHIRE
2 MILES STRATFORD-UPON-AVON
A Charming Country House of Character in matured and spacious grounds within a Conservation Area. Hall, 3 reception rooms, kitchen, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Full central heating. Double garage. Lawned gardens.
AUCTION (unless sold) IN LATE JUNE
CHIPPING CAMPDEN OFFICE (0386) 840224

GLOUCESTERSHIRE 50 ACRES
4 MILES STOW-ON-THE-WOLD
FIRST CLASS STUD FARM
Charming Cotswold stone House. 2 excellent bungalows. Ranges of loose boxes, foaling boxes and yearling boxes. Paddocks.
AUCTION (unless sold) 10th JULY
CIRENCESTER OFFICE (0285) 3334
CHIPPING CAMPDEN OFFICE (0386) 840224

GLOUCESTERSHIRE
NEAR TETBURY
Charming Period Cotswold House standing in a superb garden. Hall, cloakroom, 3 reception rooms, kitchen, 3/4 bedrooms, bathroom. Oil fired central heating. Double garage. Delightful mature walled garden.
PRIVATE TREATY
CIRENCESTER OFFICE (0285) 3334

GLOUCESTERSHIRE
CIRENCESTER
Detached House of natural stone in a good residential area. 2 reception rooms, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom. Gas central heating. Garage. Garden of about 1/2 ACRE.
PRIVATE TREATY
Joint Agents: MOORE, ALLEN & INNOCENT (0285) 2584
CIRENCESTER OFFICE (0285) 3334

GLOUCESTERSHIRE
CHIPPING CAMPDEN
Exceptional Residential Development Site within commuting distance of Midland Centre. Prime position in the Conservation Area of Chipping Campden. Detailed Planning Permission for 11 houses and 2 flats. Approx. 1.2 ACRES
PRIVATE TREATY
Joint Agents: E. G. RIGHTON & SON, EVESHAM (0386) 2671
CHIPPING CAMPDEN OFFICE (0386) 840224
CIRENCESTER OFFICE (0285) 3334



EAST DEVON
WOODBARTON, KENTISBEARE
183 ACRES
Medieval 6 bedroom house, 2 cottages, small steading (2 cottages). Excellent farmbuildings, fertile arable and pasture land. Vacant possession. (Ref. 3/7.)
AUCTION (unless sold) 18th JUNE
YEovil OFFICE (0835) 4066

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SUSSEX

Billingshurst 1 mile, Horsham 8 miles.
GUILDENHURST MANOR, BILLINGSHURST
 AN EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE RESIDENTIAL, AGRICULTURAL AND SPORTING ESTATE ALSO SUITABLE FOR STUD PURPOSES



A Beautiful Part Period Manor House including galleried reception hall, 4 reception rooms, 5 principal bedrooms, dressing room, 4/5 secondary bedrooms, 5 bathrooms. Gardens. Heated swimming pool, hard tennis court. Outbuildings, stable yard. Farmhouse, 7 cottages, Farm buildings. Over 1 mile of coarse fishing in River Arun.
IN ALL ABOUT 251 ACRES
FOR SALE AS A WHOLE PRIVATELY NOW OR BY AUCTION IN JULY.
 Chartered Surveyors: R. H. & R. W. CLUTTON, High Street, East Grinstead, Sussex RH19 5DF (Tel: 0542 24131).
 Auctioneers: KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY.

OXON/BERKSHIRE BORDER

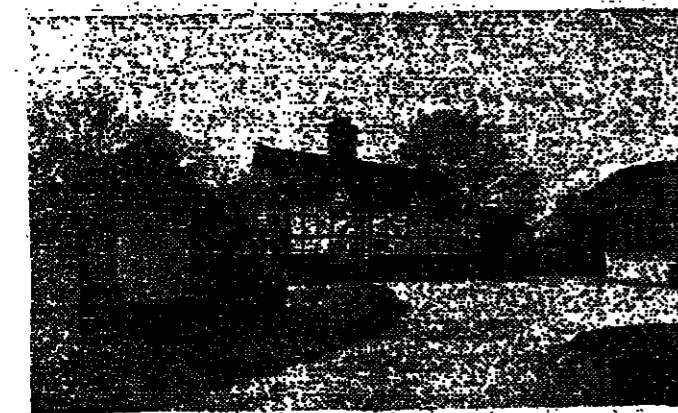
Henley-on-Thames 5 miles, Reading 4 miles, London 45 miles.
AN IMMACULATE QUEEN ANNE HOUSE STANDING IN MATURE SECLUDED GROUNDS



Entrance hall, 8 reception rooms and domestic offices. Family suite comprising 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Nursery wing comprising 3 bedrooms and bathroom and 4 secondary bedrooms and bathroom. Oil fired central heating. Gardeners cottage. Magnificent mature south facing gardens. Walled kitchen garden; orchard, hard tennis court. Heated swimming pool and superb period barn. Garaging for 3/4 cars. 3 stables, workshop and tack room. Paddocks.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 13 1/2 ACRES.
 Joint Sole Agents: Messrs. HERBERT & CO., 42 Bell Street, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. (Tel: 04912 4861) and KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY (04908/PRC).

WEST SURREY

Attractive rural position close to National Trust land. Godalming, Farnham and Haslemere all 8 miles.
A CHARMING WELL MODERNISED TUDOR FARMHOUSE WITH EXCELLENT OUTBUILDINGS, FARM BUILDINGS AND ARABLE LAND.



Additional features: Studio, staff flat. Range of farm buildings, including 3 barns, 2 granaries and dryer, tennis court, calf and bull pens, 2 paddocks and good arable land.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 106 ACRES
 Joint Agents: MESSENGER MAY BAYERSOCK, 4 Castle Street, Farnham, Surrey, Tel: Farnham 8226 or Godalming 7221, and KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY (04908/ADB).

SURREY

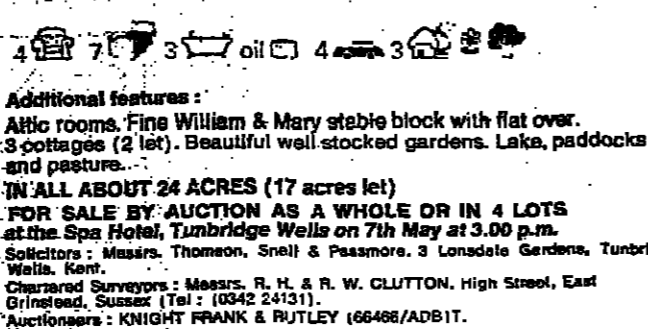
Within 2 miles of village and station. East Grinstead 2 1/2 miles.
SPACIOUS COUNTRY HOUSE ADJOINING AND OVERLOOKING LINGFIELD PARK RACE COURSE



Additional features: Staff accommodation, Paddock and views on all sides.
FREEHOLD FOR SALE WITH ABOUT 3 ACRES.
 Joint Sole Agents: KING & CHASEMORE, London Road, Horsham, Sussex. (Tel: 04441), and KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY (06662/1B1).

KENT

Tunbridge Wells 10 miles, London 46 miles.
BROAD FORD, HORSMONDEN
AN ATTRACTIVE AND HISTORICAL PERIOD HOUSE OCCUPYING AN UNSPOILT RURAL POSITION



Additional features: Attic rooms. Fine William & Mary stable block with flat over. 3 cottages (2 let). Beautiful well stocked gardens. Lake, paddocks and pasture.
IN ALL ABOUT 24 ACRES (17 acres let)
FOR SALE BY AUCTION AS A WHOLE OR IN 4 LOTS at the Spa Hotel, Tunbridge Wells on 7th May at 3.00 p.m.
 Solicitors: Messrs. Thomson, Snell & Peasmore, 3 Lansdowne Gardens, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.
 Chartered Surveyors: Messrs. R. H. & R. W. CLUTTON, High Street, East Grinstead, Sussex (Tel: 0542 24131).
 Auctioneers: KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY (06468/ADB).

BERKSHIRE

Between Ascot and Bracknell. Easy reach of M3, M4 and Heathrow.
AN ATTRACTIVE COACH HOUSE OF CHARACTER
 Suitable for further conversion and enlargement.



Additional features: Hayloft and further rooms for conversion. Large paddock.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 3 ACRES
 (06653/ADB) T.

ESSEX/HERTFORDSHIRE BORDER

4 miles Epping, 17 miles London. Good access to City.
A WELL MODERNISED HOUSE OF CHARACTER WITH FINE VIEWS



Additional features: Superb terraced garden, orchard, Staff flat.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 12 1/2 ACRES
 (47636/SW) T.

ABERDEENSHIRE

A FIRST CLASS ARABLE/STOCK FARM OF ABOUT 357 ACRES
 Let on a partnership basis at £4,270 per annum AND
A USEFUL STOCK REARING FARM ABOUT 216 ACRES
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ISLE OF SANDAY, ORKNEY

A DISTINCTIVE VICTORIAN HOUSE ATTRACTIVELY SITUATED OVERLOOKING THE SEA AND ENJOYING AN ALL ROUND VIEW OF THE ISLAND
 Additional features: Paddock.
ABOUT 2 ACRES
FOR SALE PRIVATELY
 Apply: EDINBURGH OFFICE, 8 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh EH2 4DR (Tel: 031-225 7105).

SUSSEX

Haywards Heath 6 miles, East Grinstead 2 1/2 miles, London 38 miles.
BRANTRIDGE PARK ESTATE, BALCOMBE
AN IMPOSING PERIOD HOUSE DATING FROM 1750 WITH LATER ADDITIONS



5 reception rooms, 8 principal bedrooms with 4 bathrooms, 7 secondary bedrooms with 2 bathrooms, staff accommodation with 2 bathrooms, oil-fired central heating. Stable block with chauffeur's cottage, garaging for 7, four large loose boxes and a flat over. Magnificent gardens and grounds including a hard tennis court and kitchen garden. About 23 acres of parkland and home farm of about 193 acres with farmhouse, 2 cottages and a range of buildings. Two entrance lodges and four further cottages. About 150 acres of woodland.
IN ALL ABOUT 387 ACRES WITH VACANT POSSESSION
FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY NOW OR BY AUCTION AS A WHOLE OR IN LOTS LATER.
 Solicitors: Messrs. McKenna & Co., 7 Whitehall, London SW1A 2DE.
 Auctioneers: KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY.

EAST SUSSEX

Polgate Station 6 miles, Eastbourne 10 miles.
A MOST ATTRACTIVE AND WELL MAINTAINED PERIOD HOUSE WITH GEORGIAN FACADE
 Pleasant village position, adjoining farmland.



Additional features: Good outbuildings with sauna. Guest bungalow with 3 bedrooms. Paddock.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 5 ACRES.
 (04789/ADB) T.

DEVON/SOMERSET BORDER

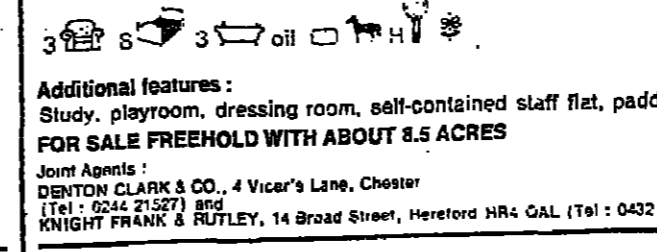
6 miles Axminster and Honiton.
DELIGHTFUL PERIOD PROPERTY ON THE EDGE OF AN UNSPOILT VILLAGE



Additional features: Shower room, drawing room 40ft. x 20ft. The outbuildings could be converted into cottage (subject to planning).
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 1 1/2 ACRES
 (05651/SW) T.

CHESHIRE

Chester 10 miles, Liverpool 22 miles, Manchester 36 miles.
 M6 motorway 24 miles.
AN ATTRACTIVE GEORGIAN HOUSE WITH LATER ADDITIONS IN A DELIGHTFUL SITUATION



ESSEX-LONDON 18 MILES

Excellent rural position in riding and hunting country. Only 2 miles Central Line stations with fast access to City and West End.
A MOST ATTRACTIVE AND WELL MODERNISED PERIOD HOUSE
 Beautifully restored, regardless of expense.
 Additional features: 17th Century forge with double garage, 2 paddocks.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 4 ACRES
 (05230/ADB) T.

BERKSHIRE

London 28 miles, M4 motorway 4 miles. Within easy reach of Ascot and Windsor.
CRUCHFIELD MANOR ESTATE—
AN OUTSTANDING RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY OF ABOUT 567 1/2 ACRES



An elegant 18th Century house with modern amenities 3 reception rooms, 8 bedrooms, study and 6 bathrooms (mainly en suite), 2 staff flats. Extensive garaging and stabling with flat over. Attractive gardens and grounds with heated swimming pool and hard tennis court.
 Two airstrips (both about 650 yards in length) under London A.T.C. also a hangar. Farmhouse, 4 modern Guildway bungalows and pair of cottages. Extensive range of modern farm buildings including storage for about 800 tons of grain, covered yards and barns. About 524.75 acres of agricultural land and 26.7 acres of woodland.
FOR SALE WITH VACANT POSSESSION BY AUCTION AS A WHOLE OR IN LOTS ON THURSDAY, 13th JUNE 1974 AT SKINDLES HOTEL, MAIDENHEAD AT 3.00 p.m. (Unless previously sold)
 Solicitors: Messrs. George Green & Co., 160 High Street, Cradley Heath, Warley, Worcs B64 5HW (Tel: 0924 66251).
 Joint Auctioneers: TUFNELL & PARTNERS, 28 Elizabeth Street, London SW1W 9RF (Tel: 01-736 9112) and KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY.

WILTS/GLOUCESTERSHIRE BORDER

Cirencester 7 miles, Malmesbury 4 miles.
A BEAUTIFUL PART 16th CENTURY COTSWOLD MANOR HOUSE



4/5 reception rooms. Principal suite with bedroom, bathroom and dressing room. 7 secondary bedrooms and 3 further bathrooms. Separate staff suite, unmodernised, with 4 bedrooms and bathroom. Oil fired central heating. Attractive gardens. Garaging for 2 cars. 2 cottages, stabling for up to 11 horses. Outbuildings and tack room. 3 paddocks.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH ABOUT 10 1/2 ACRES
 (39804/PRG) T.

WORCESTERSHIRE

Pershore 3 1/2 miles, Evesham 2 1/2 miles (Paddington about 2 hours). M5 motorway 8 miles. Birmingham 31 miles.
A FINE PERIOD HOUSE IN A COMMANDING POSITION OVERLOOKING THE EVESHAM VALE AND WITH FRONTAGE TO THE RIVER AVON



Hell, 4 reception rooms, sun lounge, 6 bedrooms, dressing room, 3 bathrooms, including self-contained flat. Oil fired central heating. 2 loose boxes. Gardens and paddocks. (Mooring and fishing rights on river frontage approximately 100 yards.)
EXTENDING IN ALL TO ABOUT 4 ACRES.
FREEHOLD FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY
 Joint Agents: Messrs. BLINCHHORN & CO., 41/43 North Street, Broadway, Worcs WR12 7DP (Tel: 090-291 2459/7) and KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY, 14 Broad Street, Hereford HR4 6AL (Tel: 0432-3062)

BERKSHIRE/HAMPSHIRE BORDER

Wokingham 4 miles, Ascot 8 miles, Reading 11 miles.
EXCELLENT HOUSE IN A SECLUDED POSITION NEAR NATIONAL TRUST PROPERTY



Additional features: Breakfast room, delightful wooded garden, with summer house.
FOR SALE FREEHOLD WITH NEARLY 3 ACRES
 (56342/SW) T.

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Large elegant, newly covered ground floor flat...

CHELSEA PIED A TERRE
Chelsea rd., S.W.10. Delightful 1 room flat...

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4 bedroom family flat close Kensington Gardens...

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Well maintained and in first class surroundings...

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Flat in prestige Modern Block. Large reception overlooking park...

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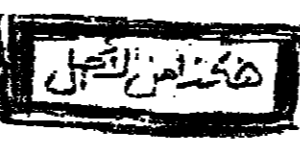
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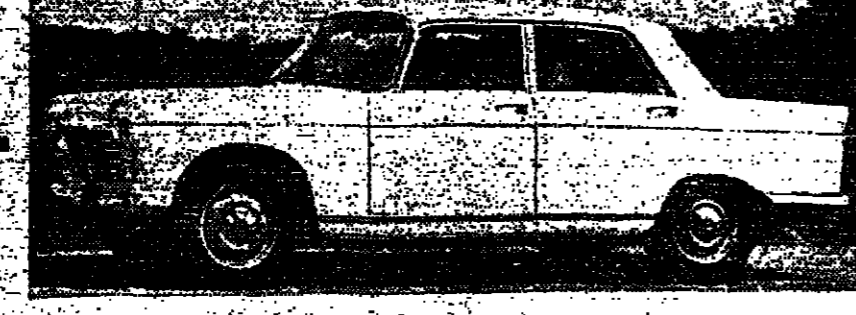
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